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Gas line rupture clears out apartments, motel

By TAMARA GRIPPI

CARMEL FIREFIGHTERS evacuated a motel, a business and an apartment building at the intersection of Junipero Street and Fifth Avenue Dec. 19 after construction crews accidentally ruptured the main gas line.



Carmel Fire Department crews, wearing gas masks and oxygen tanks, evacuated residents living in apartments near a gas main rupture.

At approximately 1:30 p.m., emergency crews received a call that a backhoe used by Irish Construction — the subcontractor hired by Pacific Bell to replace copper phone lines with fiber optic cables throughout the city — had ruptured a high-pressure gas main.

After about two hours, PG&E crews temporarily clamped the gas lines on both sides of the leak. They wrapped up the repair work around 4:30 p.m., according to Tim Meroney, the city's building official and reserve police officer, who responded to the scene.

Firefighters and police officers cordoned off the area, which could have become engulfed in an inferno if the gas had ignited.

"All it takes is a spark," said Carmel Detective Sgt. Pete Poitras. "A cigarette would do it."

The firefighters, wearing protective masks, acted quickly to evacuate the business people and residents of an apartment building.

No one had to be treated for gas inhalation, according to Carmel Assistant Fire Chief John Willett.

The strong smell of mercaptan — a substance added to the normally odorless natural gas — was enough to keep passersby at a distance. Members of the repair crews wore masks.

"It was not as dangerous as if we had a leak in a confined space," Meroney explained. "Gas is lighter than air and it dissipates pretty rapidly. It was a major inconvenience, that's for sure."

Willett pointed out that the calm, dry weather conditions also helped the gas to shoot upwards and dissipate. "If the fog had rolled in, it would have been a different story," he said.

The city probably experiences about half-a-dozen gas leaks a year, though it rarely has to deal with a commercial break, Willett said.

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Court upholds TAMC decision

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE TRANSPORTATION Agency for Monterey County did nothing illegal when it decided to transfer \$51,652,000 in state and federal funds from the Hatton Canyon Freeway Project to the Prunedale Bypass Project, Monterey County Superior Court Judge Michael Fields ruled Dec. 15.

Fields disagreed with Citizens for Hatton Canyon's argument that TAMC had violated the regional transportation plan and state and environmental laws when it shifted money to the Prunedale project in March 1999. The group had alleged that the board abused its discretion and acted arbitrarily in taking the funding away from the Hatton Canyon Freeway Project.

"It was well within the agency's discretion to determine

See **TAMC** page 10A

Judge rejects disabled woman's latest claim

By PAUL MILLER

DIANE ZUM Brunnen is still batting zero in her four-year campaign to get a cash payment from former Carmel Mayor Clint Eastwood for alleged violations of disability-access laws at Mission Ranch.

This week a U.S. District Court judge firmly rejected zum Brunnen's latest claim that Eastwood should be compelled to pay her "statutory minimum damages" of \$5,000 for minor violations Eastwood admitted were in place at the ranch when zum Brunnen briefly visited in January 1997.

If the judge's decision had gone the other way, a demand for huge fees for zum Brunnen's team of lawyers would probably have come next, according to Eastwood's attorney, Chuck Keller.

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Flying Dentists find brighter smiles in Guatemala

By MARY BROWNFIELD

THE TOYS get better and better each year, and so do the teeth.

Susie Faia, whose husband, Ron Faia, is the dentist who spearheaded the Flying Dentists program that helps get dental care to children and adults in Nepal and Guatemala, was overwhelmed by the 225 bags full of clothes and toys donated by students at Tularcitos School last month. All Saints Day School children and a Brownie troupe also donated much-needed "jellies" shoes and other items.

The two Faias, along with seven other dentists and a handful of assistants, took as many toys and clothes as they could carry with them to Guatemala in November. Daughter Brandi Faia and local dentists Matt Miller and John Nardone also made the journey.

"Everyone got at least one or two gifts and shoes — a lot of them don't have shoes — and outfits," Susie Faia said. While in a small riverside village in Guatemala — almost six hours from Guatemala City on a harrowing two-lane road — the group saw about 500 children and did about 1,000 dental procedures, according to Faia.

"We take care of 19 towns and we saw all of them — we saw all of the kids," Faia said. "Some of them come from the top of a mountain, and it takes an hour and a half to walk down, and then another 45 minutes to go up the river to the clinic, so it's a real process."

Since they began visiting the remote area nine years ago, Faia said they have watched the dental health of the whole

area change. Even just between last year and this year, the number of extractions has declined dramatically, she said.

"Now the people are really conscientious about brushing their teeth and wanting to save them. Before, they wanted them pulled, and now they come in and want a filling, so the whole idea of dentistry has changed," she said.

The dentists pulled approximately 70 teeth during their most recent trip, including baby teeth, "so basically that's a minuscule amount compared to what we used to do," Faia said. Last year, Brandi Faia pulled 100 teeth during the first two days, "and she was only one out of many dentists," she added.

Because of this increased attention to teeth, the Flying Dentists undertook some new preventative measures as well, according to Faia.

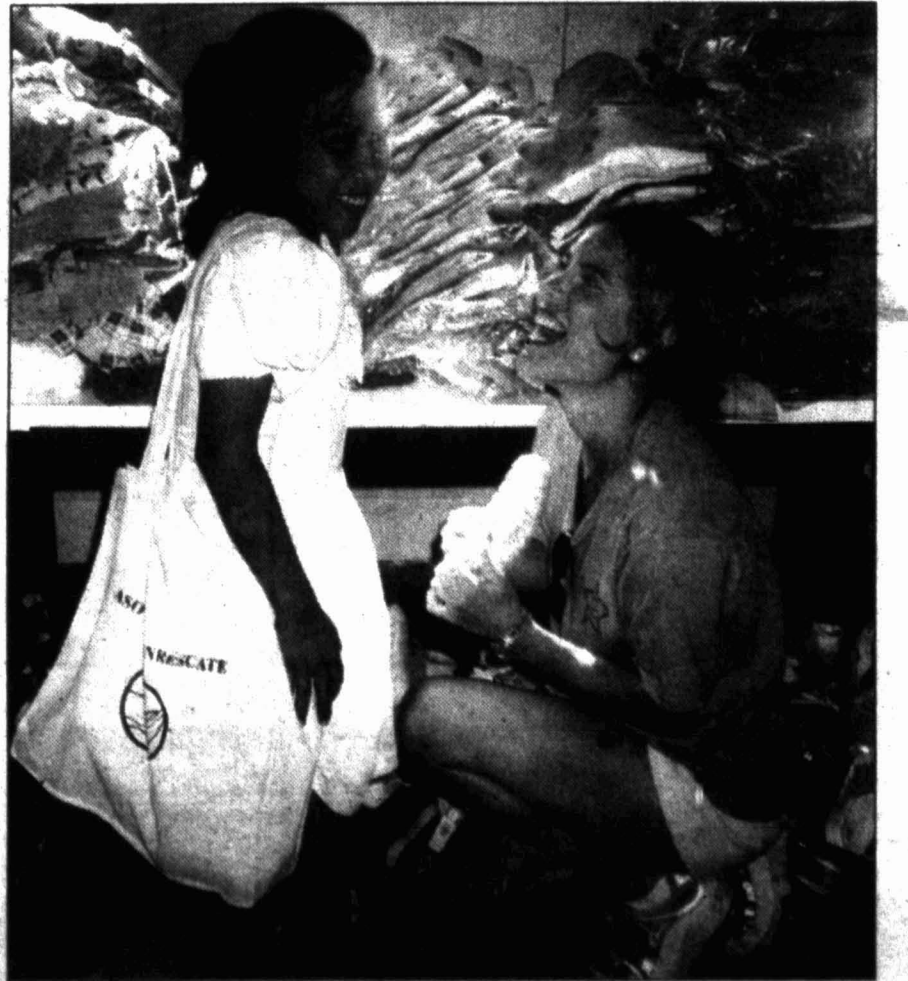
"And for the first time, we sealed teeth," she said. "So next time we go, they won't have any cavities."

The gratitude from their patients is overwhelming, according to Faia.

"One little gal came in and her front tooth was broken off — we did a root canal and rebuilt her tooth. She went in looking pretty funky and came out with this beautiful central," she said. "We have this little mirror and show them their smiles, and they just glow."

The impact could not have been achieved without the community's generosity in donating toys, clothes, money and time, Faia added.

See **DENTISTS** page 14A



Mindy Faia helps a Guatemalan girl with new shoes, donated by locals and delivered south by the Flying Dentists.

For-profit water transfers could be forbidden

By MARY BROWNFIELD

TWO ORDINANCES — one that would further limit water transfer credits, and another that would ease restrictions on bathroom additions — were heard by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District policy and technical advisory committees during a joint meeting Dec. 19.

Ordinance 97 would amend current rules on water transfers, forbidding jurisdictions that receive water credits to transfer them to residential or new commercial/industrial uses. It also forbids transferring any credits "where money or other valuable consideration has been given in exchange for the water credit transfer."

Carmel City Councilwoman Paula Hazdovac represents the city council on the PAC, while acting planning manager Chip

Rerig sits on the TAC.

Many at the meeting were wary of the proposed changes, according to Rerig.

"Right now if you had an existing commercial space or restaurant and wanted to transfer water to the jurisdiction's allocation, the city would be the gatekeeper, and would have the ability to allocate to any use they wanted to — any residential, existing or new commercial use," he explained. "The new ordinance would prohibit transfers to residential uses, including residential uses in the commercial district."

Carmel encourages new apartments in the commercial district, and recently approved design applications and water credit transfers to for two new second-story apartments being built downtown.

The ordinance would also prohibit the cities from transferring water credits to any

new businesses. Credits could only be used for increased use at existing businesses, if the ordinance passes.

As for disallowing people to profit by selling water, Rerig said he thought the ordinance's demands would be unenforceable.

Rerig said he's heard people complain about the unfairness of a water market in which the wealthy end up with the water. "There is value attached to water, and that's the bottom line, like it or not, in the water state we're in," he said.

While Ordinance 97 seeks to limit cities' control over their water, Ordinance 98 would allow single-family homes with just one bathroom to add a second bathroom without a water permit.

Under the ordinance, homes with one-and-a-half bathrooms could add a shower or tub to their half bathroom.

According to water district planner Henrietta Stern, both ordinances were drafted at the request of board member Kris Lindstrom.

"He characterized this [Ordinance 98] as some way to provide relief for families — growing families that can't afford to buy a new house, and because they have no more water credits, can not build a new bathroom," said Stern, who attended the meeting.

The ordinance needs some fine-tuning, but the committees supported it in theory, according to Rerig.

Water board member Dave Potter, who chaired the meeting, requested that the TAC and PAC meet again to discuss the ordinances before they go before the full board for discussion, according to Rerig.

While not every ordinance is heard by district committees, Stern said, "Certainly, if it has to do with water credits, or has effects on a city's planning processes, we try to get it reviewed by the TAC and PAC."

Chair Molly Erickson and vice chair Dave Potter will ultimately decide if and when the ordinances will be placed on the board of directors' agenda for discussion.

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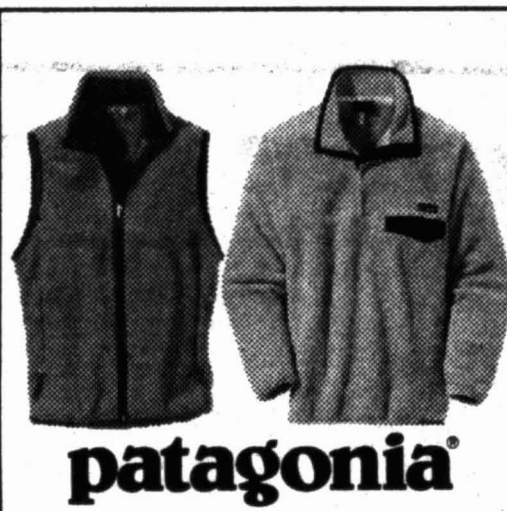


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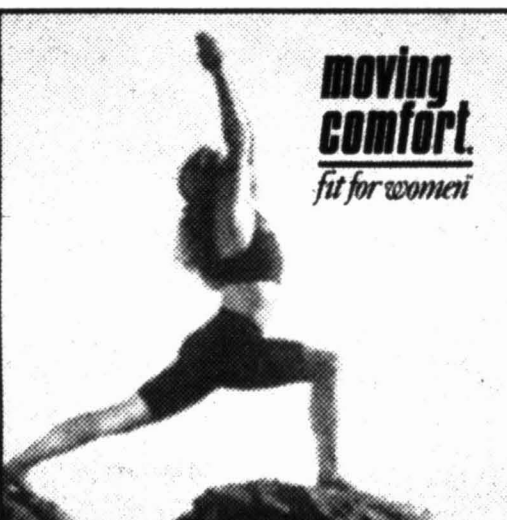


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Big baggies placed on back burner — Plan B narrowed to four options

By MARY BROWNFIELD

ALTERNATIVES TO a new dam on the Carmel River might include two desalination plants, increased conservation by Cal-Am, reclamation measures, increased underground storage of winter rains, and increased legal rights to the Carmel River for Cal-Am, a group of consultants and California Public Utilities officials told the public during a meeting Dec. 13.

Hauling water in giant plastic bags by tugboat from Humboldt, piping water from the Central Valley Project, exercising pueblo rights and other possibilities once considered by the PUC during the development of Plan B were either put on hold or dismissed altogether.

"We need to provide 10,730 acre-feet when it's all said and done," said EDAW, Inc., representative Eric Zigas, whose company was hired by the PUC to analyze the Monterey Peninsula water problems under the terms of legislation proposed by Assemblyman Fred Keeley and passed in September 1998.

Consultants said they are committed to finding a legal supply to make up for Cal-Am's illegal pumping, providing a drought reserve and protecting the environment, but that supplying water for remodels or development of existing lots is not their current concern.

"We've heard from the community over and over again that the water supply needs to respond to lots of record," Zigas said. The goal of Plan B is simply to meet the state cut-back order, but Zigas added, "The plan needs to be flexible to meet up-sizing or downsizing based on the community's interest."

The consultants have developed a combination of the most viable alternatives to the dam, but were quick to say they may incorporate other measures into the plan as their research continues. The plans to make up Cal-Am's shortfall include:

- desalination plants at Moss Landing and Sand City that will provide 4,230 acre-feet per year;

- Seaside Basin aquifer storage and recovery that will provide 2,000 afy;

- approval of Cal-Am's applications to the state for legal rights to 3,000 afy of water already being pumped from the Carmel River; and

- conservation and reclamation that will make up the remaining 1,500 acre-feet.

"But we're not yet convinced that's the way they go

together," Zigas said, adding that further studies of implementation, site facilities, management, contingency planning and flexibility may result in a different final recommendation.

The group has yet to consider the issue of cost.

Environmental, operational and logistical issues led con-

See WATER page 11A

DEVELOPER SUES WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

SECURITY NATIONAL Guaranty, Inc., the company that owns the Sand City property intended for the site of Ed Ghandour's Monterey Bay Shores project, filed suit against the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Dec. 13.

The suit asks the court to overturn the district's denial of a permit for a water distribution system for the 495-unit hotel project, based on the allegation that the board did not adopt findings for its denial, according to attorney Lloyd Lawrey.

"The complaint speaks for itself — it's a petition for a writ of mandate and basically says the water management district took final action without adopting findings," he said. "I have spoken with [district counsel] David Laredo about it, but beyond that, I really can't comment on it."

The water management district board rejected the Monterey Bay Shores application Oct. 26.

The California Coastal Commission also rejected a permit for the hotel project, which would have been located between Highway 1 and Monterey Bay in Sand City, at its meeting in San Francisco Dec. 14.

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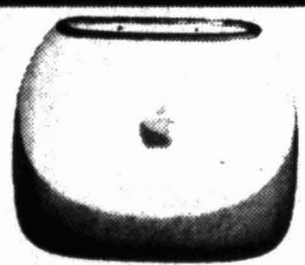
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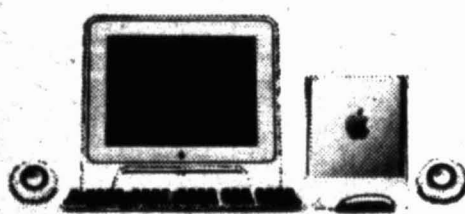
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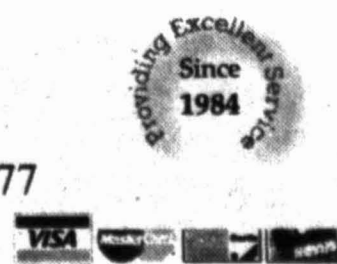
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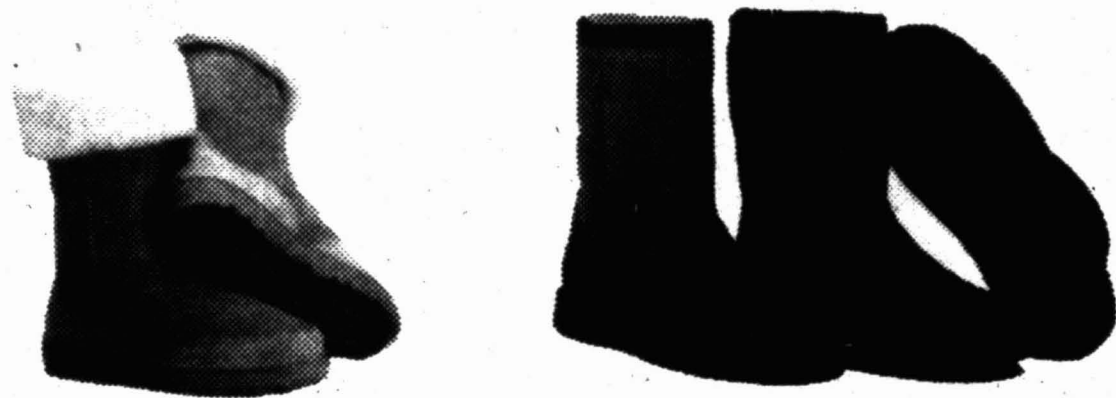


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Police & Sheriff's Log

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HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department last week.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person contacted and warned for riding a bicycle without proper lighting and reflectors.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman called the police confused and disoriented. She believed she was in a hotel but did not know the name of it or how to check out. She was in her bedroom of her house that she shared with her son

and daughter-in-law. Contact was made with her, as well as with her daughter-in-law, who helped her back to bed. No other problems noted.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver stopped at Del Mar and cited for driving on a suspended/revoked driver's license.

Carmel Valley: West Carmel Valley Road resident fell sometime last night and broke her right leg. A neighbor heard her moaning this morning and called for assistance. She was taken to CHOMP.

Carmel Valley: Cashier of the Village Chevron reported that someone pumped

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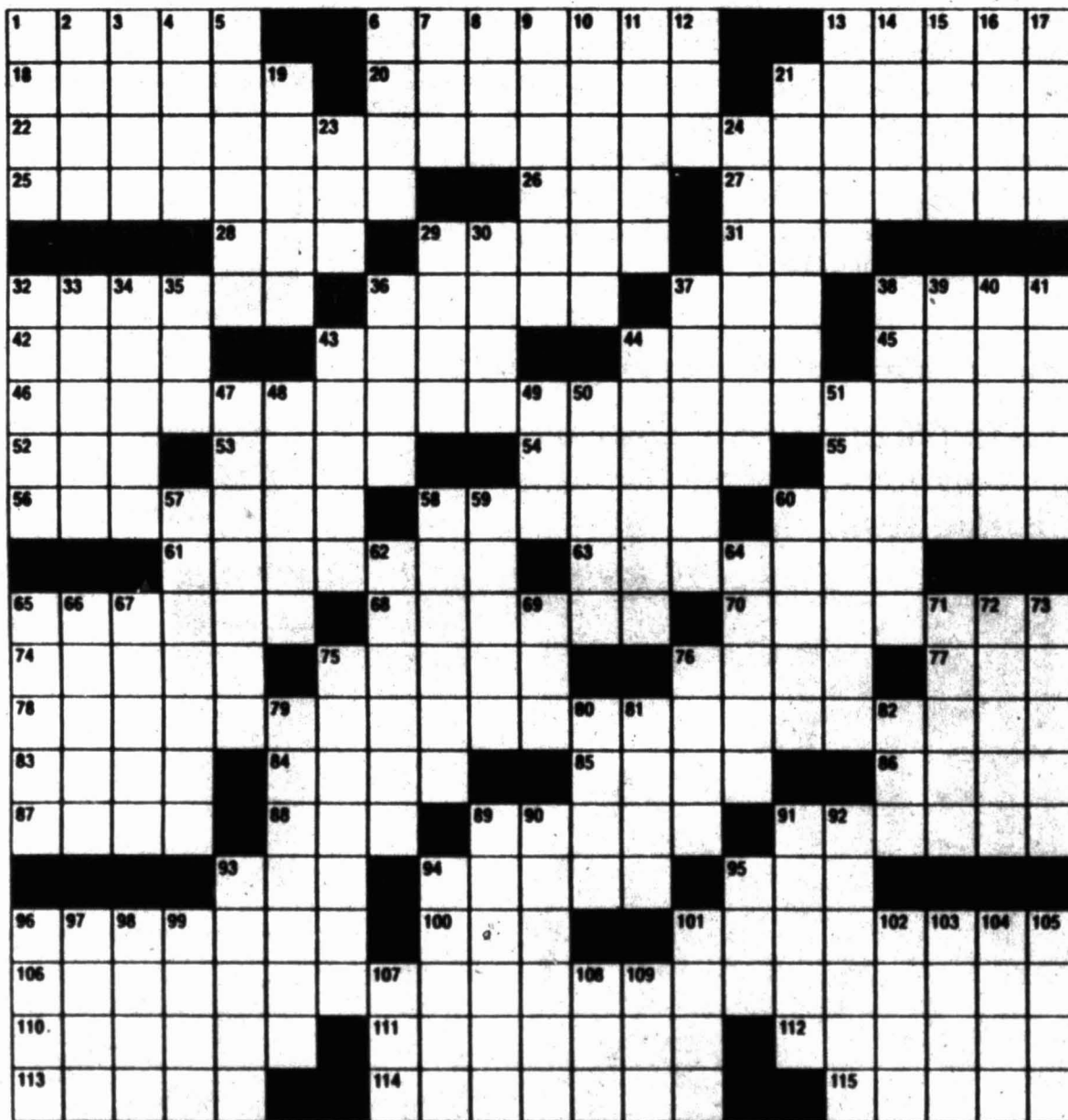
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- 27 Like some pitches
- 28 See 95-Down
- 29 Do
- 31 Literary monogram
- 32 Small piano
- 36 "A good servant but a bad master": Bacon
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- 38 Junk, e.g.
- 42 Brown bagger
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- 54 Pakistan's chief river
- 55 Uninspiring talk
- 56 Eminence
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- 76 Embellish
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- 78 Yet more about that fruitcake
- 83 Its playing fields are famous
- 84 They're black for witches
- 85 Oriental au pair
- 86 — dole (two-step dance)
- 87 Last word of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow"
- 88 Ref's decision
- 89 Theatrical backdrop
- 91 Paint basecoat
- 93 Map abbr.
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- 95 Barrett of Pink Floyd
- 96 Adult's cry in a children's game
- 100 Kind of observatory: Abbr.
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- 106 Final words about that fruitcake
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- 5 She had a choice in literature
- 6 "Hair" producer, 1967
- 7 Be in bed, maybe
- 8 Grand — ("Evangeline" setting)
- 9 Attraction
- 10 Like lacework
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- 12 So-so mark
- 13 Emulates the birds and the bees
- 14 Mille — (Minnesota county)
- 15 "You're the Care For" (1931 hit)
- 16 Parietal cell secretion
- 17 Block of Brie?
- 19 Not accidental
- 21 Paprika-seasoned stew
- 23 Meditation class chorus
- 24 Bull session participants?
- 29 Really come down
- 30 Pay one's share, with "up"
- 32 Gives and takes
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- 34 It has 25 states
- 35 I and 66: Abbr.
- 36 Barbers' challenges
- 37 General Motors division
- 38 Ancient symbols of resurrection
- 39 Hand a line to, say
- 40 How to sign a contract
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- 47 Eye doctor
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- 51 King nicknamed "Longshanks"
- 57 Name in old politics
- 58 Extra innings
- 59 Craters of the Moon locale
- 60 Big problem for a pilot
- 62 By
- 64 Quite silly



- 65 Carried a torch (for)
- 66 Play to the rafters
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- 69 Copy cats?
- 71 Epitomic
- 72 Headache intensifier
- 73 Football's — Bowl
- 75 Brightens

- 76 Its capital is Hagatña
- 79 Results of getting needed?
- 80 Looming choice
- 81 Bypass
- 82 One whose days are numbered?
- 89 Beowulf, notably
- 90 Stalactite site
- 91 Church council

- 92 Add just before the deadline
- 93 "Wayne's World" co-star
- 94 1983 Indy 500 winner
- 95 With 28-Across, some protests
- 96 "— first ..."
- 97 Annual opener
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- 99 Foil relative
- 101 Joint with a cap
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Answer to this week's puzzle on page 27A

Road trip to San Francisco paid off, say Carmel preservationists

By TAMARA GRIPPI

WHEN THE California Coastal Commission rejected the application to demolish Sea Urchin and Periwinkle last week, it heard from a contingent of Carmelites dismayed by the "loss of village character."

A group of 11 — including Carmel City Councilwoman Barbara Livingston, Carmel Residents Association president Melanie Billig and preservation activist Enid Sales

— drove to San Francisco to urge the commission to save the quaint but dilapidated cottages as well as other Carmel houses slated for demolition.

Both the Carmel Planning Commission and City Council decided earlier this year that Sea Urchin and Periwinkle could be razed because they had been remodeled so many times they were no longer historic.

But the coastal commission voted unanimously to heed the preservationists and require any replacement home to be designed around the two old cottages.

"I think we made a tremendous impact," said Billig. "Thursday was an incredible victory for preservation."

Billig was grateful that Sonoma County attorney Susan Brandt-Hawley fought on their side.

"She's a wonderfully thorough, very bright attorney," Billig said. "She is so supportive of historic preservation and making sure the city follows the law."

Brandt-Hawley earlier sued the city on behalf of Sales and a group — with an unknown membership — called Friends of Carmel Cultural Heritage. Billig said she was not affiliated with F.C.C.H.

Also disavowing any involvement in the lawsuit were Livingston, planning commissioner Pope Coleman, former planning commissioner Allan Paterson and historic preservation committee member Anne Bell,

who all traveled to San Francisco to speak to the coastal commissioners.

"That's a separate group," Livingston

said. "A lot of us are members of Carmel Preservation Foundation, but the other thing

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Bates draws tykes at the Barnyard

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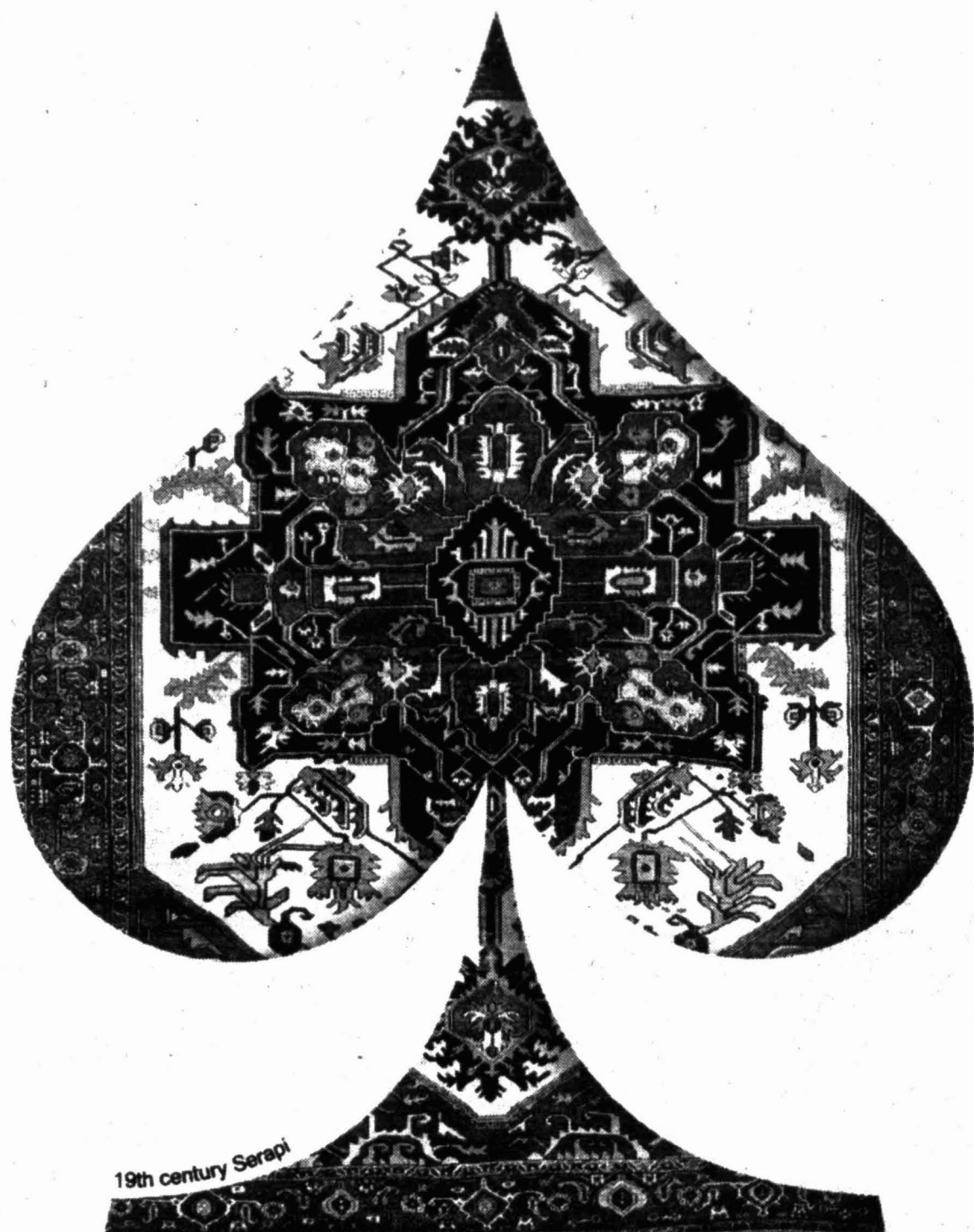



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Embezzlement epidemic hits unsuspecting villagers

By MARY BROWNFIELD

"IT'S BEEN embezzlement city here," Carmel Police Detective Sgt. Pete Poitras uttered those words as he recounted several cases of embezzlement that occurred in Carmel during the past year.

Most notable was the case of 45-year-old Marian Evano, who stole \$51,501 from her employer, Phillips Gallery of Fine Arts, during a one-year period. Evano pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to five years felony probation and 210 days jail time, and ordered to pay restitution, according to Poitras.

Unusual in this case, however, was that Evano was handcuffed and led off to prison immediately following her sentencing hearing Dec. 15. She will have to serve a minimum of 180 days in prison. The remaining 30 days can be served in some other fashion, according to Poitras.

Judge Wendy Duffy denied Evano's request for home detention and work furlough, according to Poitras.

Deputy District Attorney Ed Hazel said the victim, Sandra Phillips, told the court she had tried to help Evano, even after the embezzlement was discovered, and tried to get her counselling.

"Phillips gave a pretty good presentation of what had happened to her," he said, and Evano was immediately remanded into custody.

"The court said the defendant took so liberal advantage of the victim that she had to go to jail, it was just so blatant," Hazel said.

Evano had regularly deposited cashier's checks with gallery funds into an account on which she was a co-signer, according to Poitras. The checks were usually made out to the other signer on the account, a man who lives out of state. Evano gained access to the account when she was a caregiver for a Carmel Valley woman who is now deceased, according to Poitras. After the woman died, Evano kept the account open, he said.

It took a year for the owner to discover what was going on, law enforcement officials said.

Of the \$51,000, \$15,000 that had been invested locally has already been recovered,

according to Poitras. Evano still has to repay the remaining \$36,000.

"This brings to a close a case that took quite some time to investigate," he said.

Casanova Restaurant was also the victim of an embezzlement — the suspect, 20-year-old bookkeeper Tracy Johnson, has already admitted embezzling \$4,132 from the restaurant in September.

"She failed to make several deposits into the bank, and diverted the funds to her own use," Poitras explained.

Johnson pleaded guilty to embezzlement Nov. 15, and will be sentenced Feb. 13, according to Poitras.

Adelle Bullas was booked Nov. 12 on charges of embezzling \$4,522.48 from James Michel, M.D., and Russell Pratt, M.D., according to Poitras, and is awaiting a preliminary hearing.

While working as receptionist at the doctors' Carmel office, Bullas allegedly cashed patients' checks and kept the money, according to Poitras.

"Sometimes she would suggest that [patients] didn't have to write the payee's name on their checks — that she had a stamp — and then she would either put hers or Dr. Michel's on them and then cash or deposit them," he said.

Even when they were made out to Michel, the banks would cash the checks for Bullas, according to Poitras.

"Unfortunately, with some of the bank people, she was quite well known to them and, on a ruse that the doctor wanted petty cash, she was able to cash them," he said.

Poitras said Bullas has accepted responsibility for the embezzlement, and turned herself in for booking Nov. 12. Her preliminary hearing is scheduled for Jan. 18, he said.

These incidents serve as a reminder to individuals and business people to protect themselves from potential thieves, according to Poitras.

"The more opportunity you give someone to steal from you, the more likely they will. As sad a reflection on people as that is, you need to include as many safeguards as possible," he said. "I think it has been proven over the years that the pen is truly mightier than the sword — a lot more money has been stolen using a pen than using a firearm."



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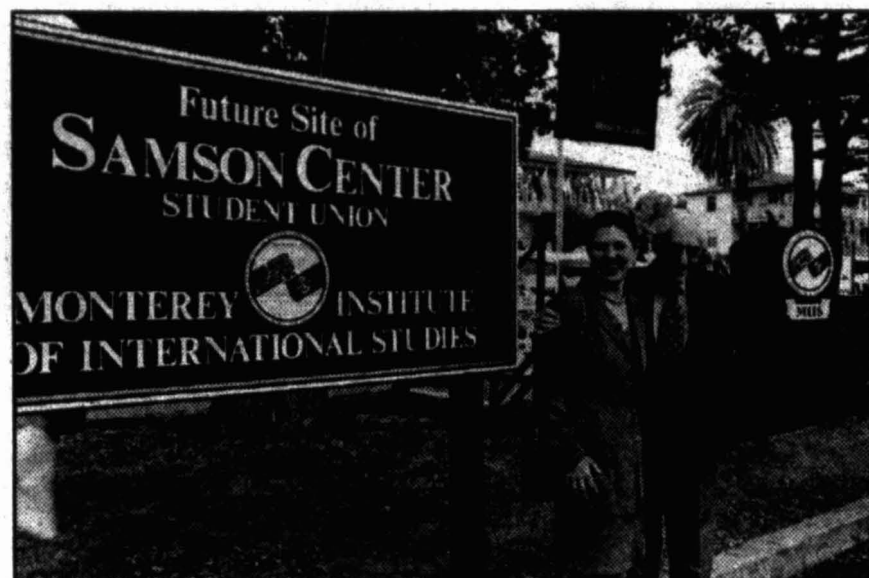
Soon-to-be-built Samson Student Center will be green all over

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WHEN IT comes to water conservation, the Monterey Institute of International Studies will soon have something to make the rest of the Monterey Peninsula envious: waterless urinals.

The fixtures have been included in plans for MIIS' new Samson Student Center, named for Pebble Beach philanthropist Joe Samson, who donated \$1.5 million to the school before he passed away in 1998.

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Carolyn and Joseph Samson gave \$1.5 million to MIIS for a new student center — which will sport nothing less than radiant heating and waterless urinals.

projects is also helping to pay for the new student center, and architects Daryl Hawkins and Ken Walker of Jacobowsky Hawkins Walker Architects in Monterey have taken the concept to heart.

"We went through with a green consultant, and looked at ways we can make the building as environmentally friendly as possible," Hawkins said.

The result will be two buildings that are 37 percent more energy efficient than state law requires, according to Hawkins.

Hawkins' firm has worked on MIIS projects for the past 15 years, and has been recognized by the AIA for its work. The architects are working with builders Daniels & House.

The student center will serve as the focal point of the

campus, according to Hawkins, and will include a building housing a large cafeteria and a separate, smaller media room. The buildings and the plaza between them will be above an underground parking lot, and the landscaped Samson Walkway will link the upper and lower campuses, he said.

The two buildings are designed to reflect an early-Monterey style, with thick stucco walls, large windows and exposed rafters.

"We have large, high windows in these buildings, to minimize the use of artificial light while inside, and we have also used all thermal pane glass and insulation," he said.

Radiant heating — "a very comfortable kind of heat" — will be installed in the floors.

The plans also call for using lumber from second-growth trees and a number of recycled materials, according to Hawkins.

As for the state-of-the-art waterless urinals, Hawkins said he has not seen them used anywhere else on the Peninsula.

"It's a urinal that looks pretty much like a normal urinal, except it doesn't have any water or flush valve at the top," he said.

Instead, a blue oil-type liquid covers the drain, allowing fluids to pass through it while sealing off air, according to Hawkins.

The waterless urinals have been approved by the Universal Building Code as an acceptable fixture, meet all codes, and require no water connection, he said.

"I'm not aware of any others used in the area," Hawkins said. "It will be interesting to see how they work. A normal flush-valve urinal uses 1.5 gallons every time you flush — this uses no water because no water pipe is attached."

Hawkins said ground should be broken on the new project soon, and he is enthusiastic to see it in its completed state.

"This is a very significant and important project for MIIS — it's the first effort here to build a nucleus and center to their campus," he said.

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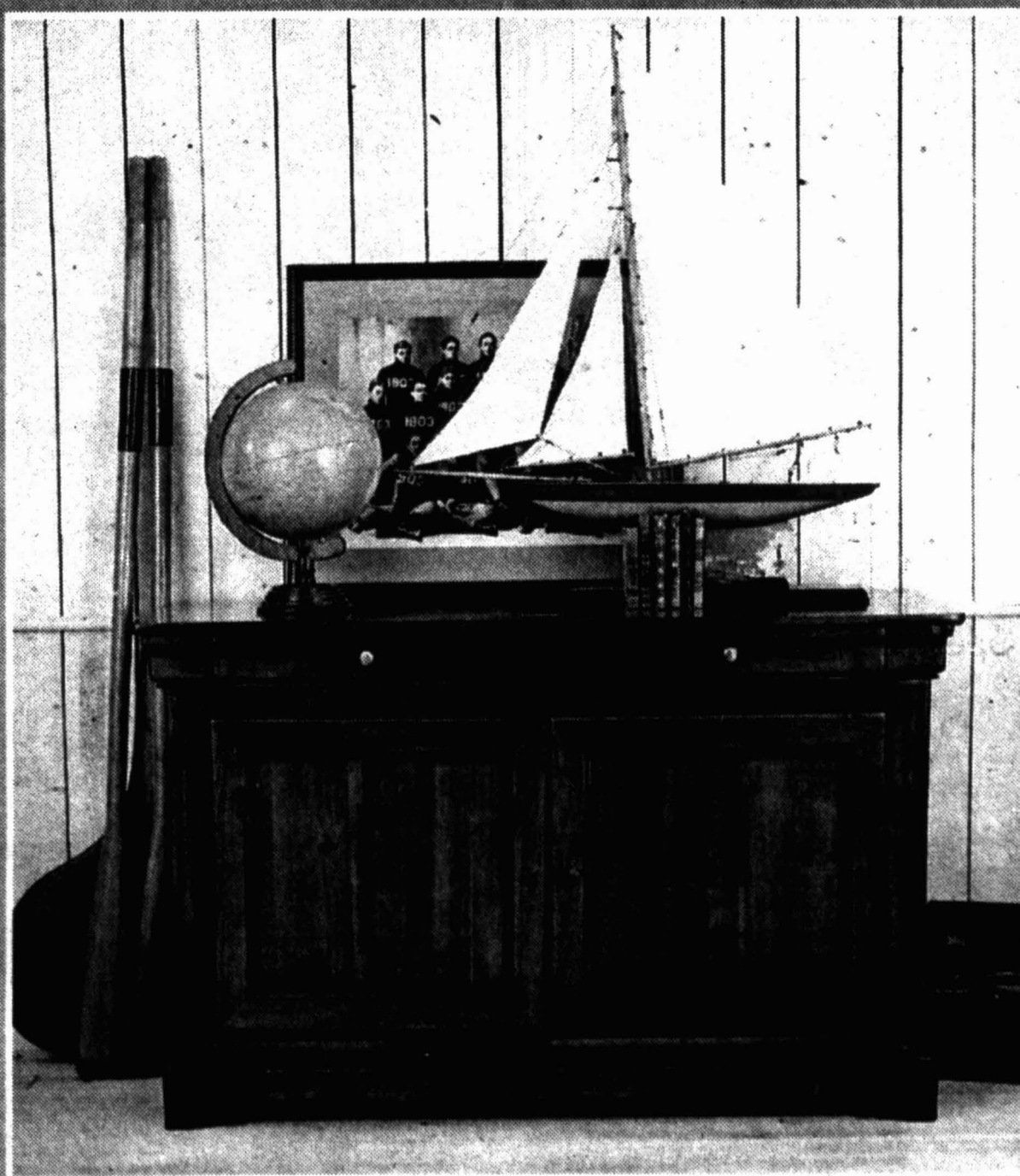
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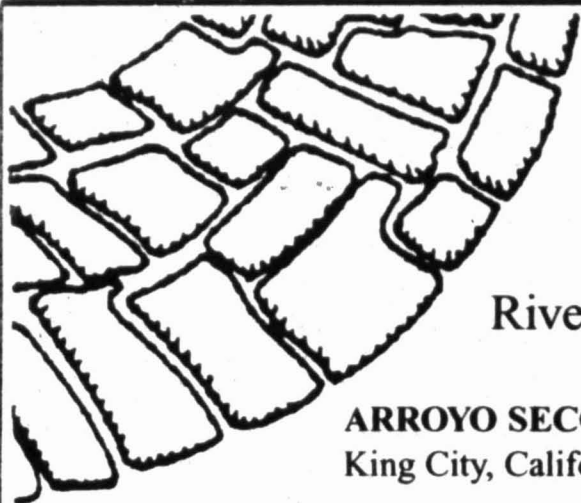


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History and community attract Carmel PD's newest cop

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL PD's newest police officer may be a perfect fit for the city: In addition to being a Peninsula resident with more than a decade at Monterey PD under his belt, Jesse Juarez is a history buff.

"I've fallen in love with Carmel," said Juarez, who was sworn in at Carmel City Hall Dec. 15. "I've always liked Carmel, but the only part of Carmel I thought had historical significance was the mission — everybody knows the mission. But when one of my friends who works for Carmel asked me if I would be interested in applying, I looked into Carmel history and couldn't believe what I'd found."

Juarez said Carmel's roots in the arts particularly intrigued him.

"I've never really been an artsy person, so to speak," he said. "But I do enjoy creative people — people who can take something and form an idea and make something out of it."

Prior to entering police work, Juarez spent 10 years as an air crewman in the Navy, where he flew an anti-submarine P3 Orion aircraft. Even then, he always strove to search out places and things that told a story.

"We'd fly all over the world and wherever I went, I'd always try to find things of historical significance," he said.

His adventures included crossing Manila Bay in a dugout canoe with an outboard motor to walk around Corregidor Island, and visiting the Grand Palace in Bangkok.



PHOTO/PETE POIRAS

New CPD officer Jesse Juarez was pinned by his significant other, Elaine McCleaf, when he was sworn in Dec. 15.

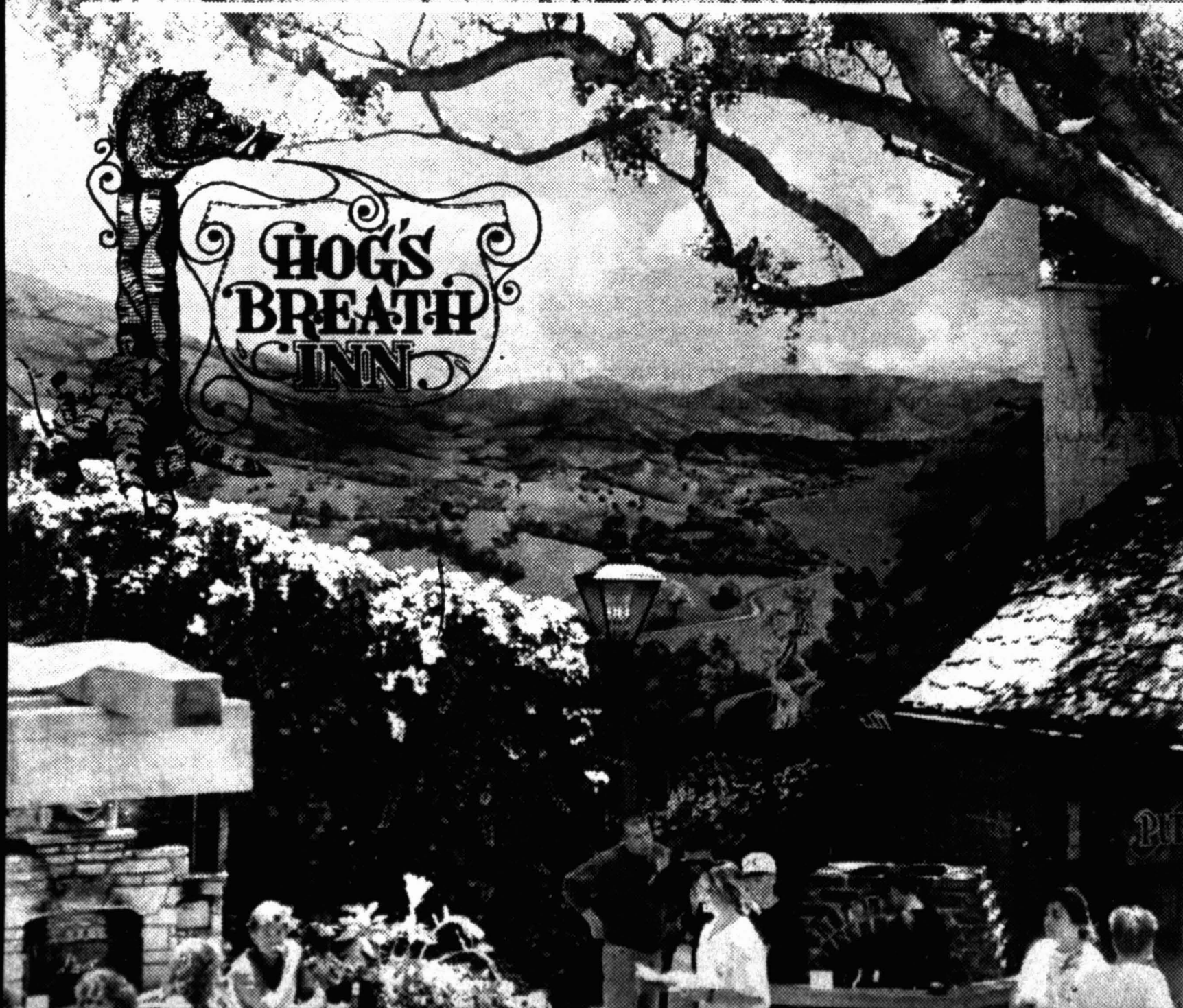
While some members of law enforcement may crave more action on the job, Juarez said Carmel will allow him to interact more with people in town than the busier Monterey PD did.

"I'm more of a people person — and Carmel will allow me to be more like that, to be involved with people," he said. "With a police department like Carmel's, you have the luxury to talk to people in the community more than in some places where it's a little busier — it's more in tune with what I'd like to do."

Juarez lives in Pacific Grove with his significant other, deputy district attorney Elaine McCleaf ("She's a pretty hard charger," he said.), 15-year-old son Jonathan and 4-year-old daughter Emma.

Juarez, a "firm believer in the spirit of the law," told The Pine Cone, "I'm very glad to be coming to Carmel, and I look forward to meeting people in the community."

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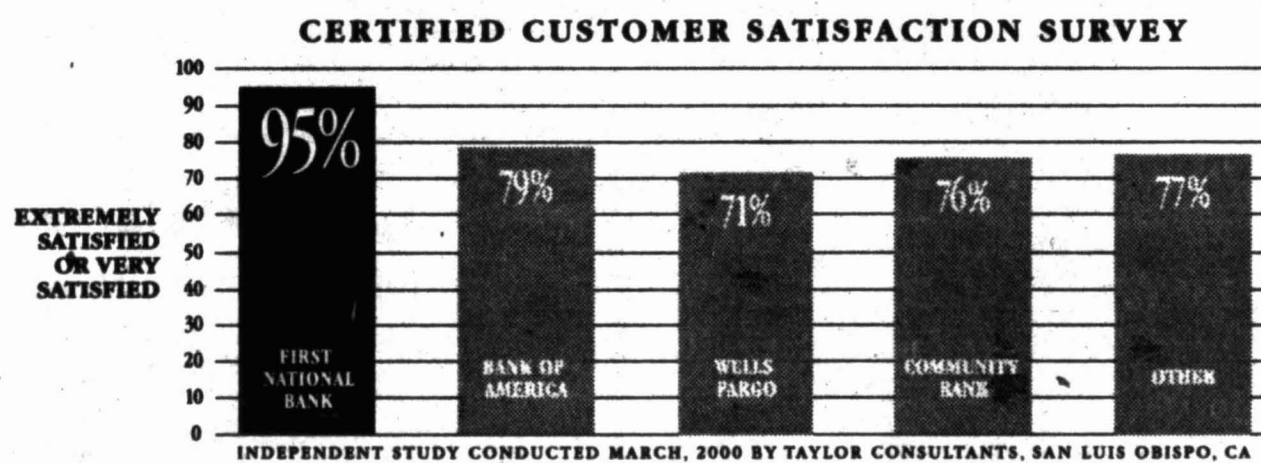
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Supervisors urge Rio Road extension

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CONNECTING TWO portions of Rio Road would ease some of the notorious traffic congestion on Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Rancho Blvd. and Highway 1, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors agreed Dec. 12.

A group of residents researching transportation issues in the Valley for the last six months recommended the project, a one-mile road between Val Verde Drive and the Rancho Cañada Golf Course, and the board voted to start work as soon as funds are available.

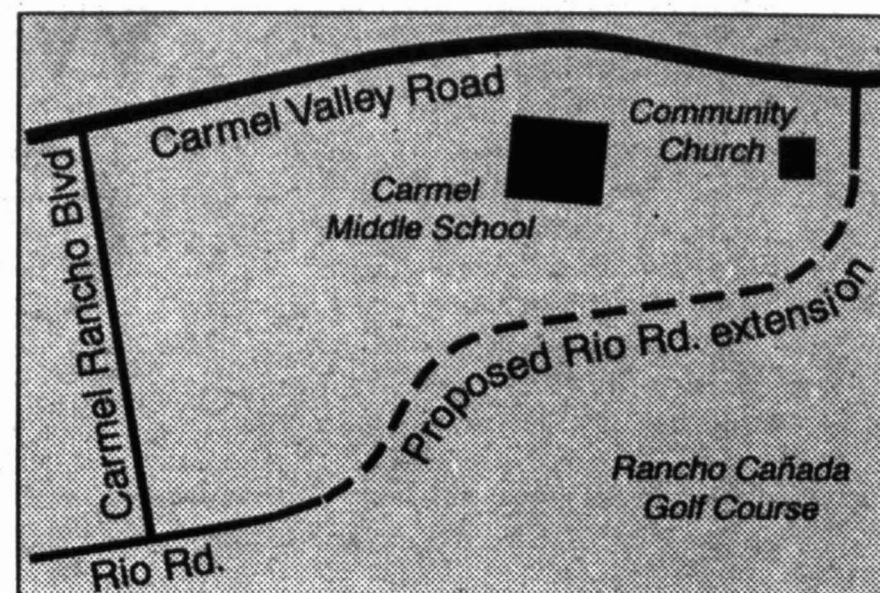
But public works director Lew Bauman cautioned the Rio Road extension must vie for funds with other projects.

"It will have to compete county-wide, Bauman said. "What it has going for it is that local congestion is high, though some of that will be relieved when the climbing lane is installed."

He said he hopes to find money for it through grants and traffic impact fees from local developers.

Public works asked supervisors for the go-ahead to begin engineering design, environmental studies and acquisition of right-of-way for the extension. Bauman estimated the cost of that work at \$300,000.

Although a completed Rio Road extension may be years down the road, Bauman said having a project "shelf ready"



The county's public works department can begin searching for funds to work on design, environmental study and right-of-way acquisition on the Rio Road extension, which will link Rio Road at Val Verde to its other end near Rancho Cañada.

— with the initial stages already complete — may help the county compete for regional, state and federal grant funds.

"It's certainly going to be on the order of years, undoubtedly, but I think the advisory committee was aware of that and wanted to bring up the issue to the board," Bauman said.

TAMC

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the Hatton Canyon project was not 'deliverable' in a timely manner and to transfer the funds to another greatly needed safety improvement project," the judge wrote in his decision.

In addition, Fields ruled that the transfer was "entirely consistent with the regional needs and transportation goals as set forth in the RTP," which also gave high priority to the Prunedale Bypass Project and Highway 1 improvements other than the Hatton Canyon Freeway Project.

Fields also ruled that amendments to transportation plans are exempt from CEQA review.

"He really upheld the TAMC board's action in March '99 in all respects, and of course I am extremely pleased with the decision, since it has

been a lengthy case," Monterey County Counsel Adrienne Grover told The Pine Cone. "It took almost two years to work through the legal system, and I'm pleased to have the case concluded, and concluded in support of our board's discretion."

Rachel Hooper, outside counsel for TAMC, echoed Grover's praise of Fields' ruling. "He said the decision was fully consistent with the law and denied all of the claims by the petitioners," she said. "The decision that TAMC made to transfer the funding from the Hatton Canyon Freeway to the Prunedale Bypass project is left undisturbed."

Attorney Christine Gianascol, who represented Citizens for Hatton Canyon, said she was disappointed in Fields' ruling, but hopes a political shift will bring the money back to the Hatton Canyon project.

"We're hopeful that will occur as the residents of the area recognize that the Hatton Canyon Freeway is the only viable long-term solution to the terrible traffic congestion in the area," she said.

The group has not yet decided whether to appeal the ruling, according to Gianascol.

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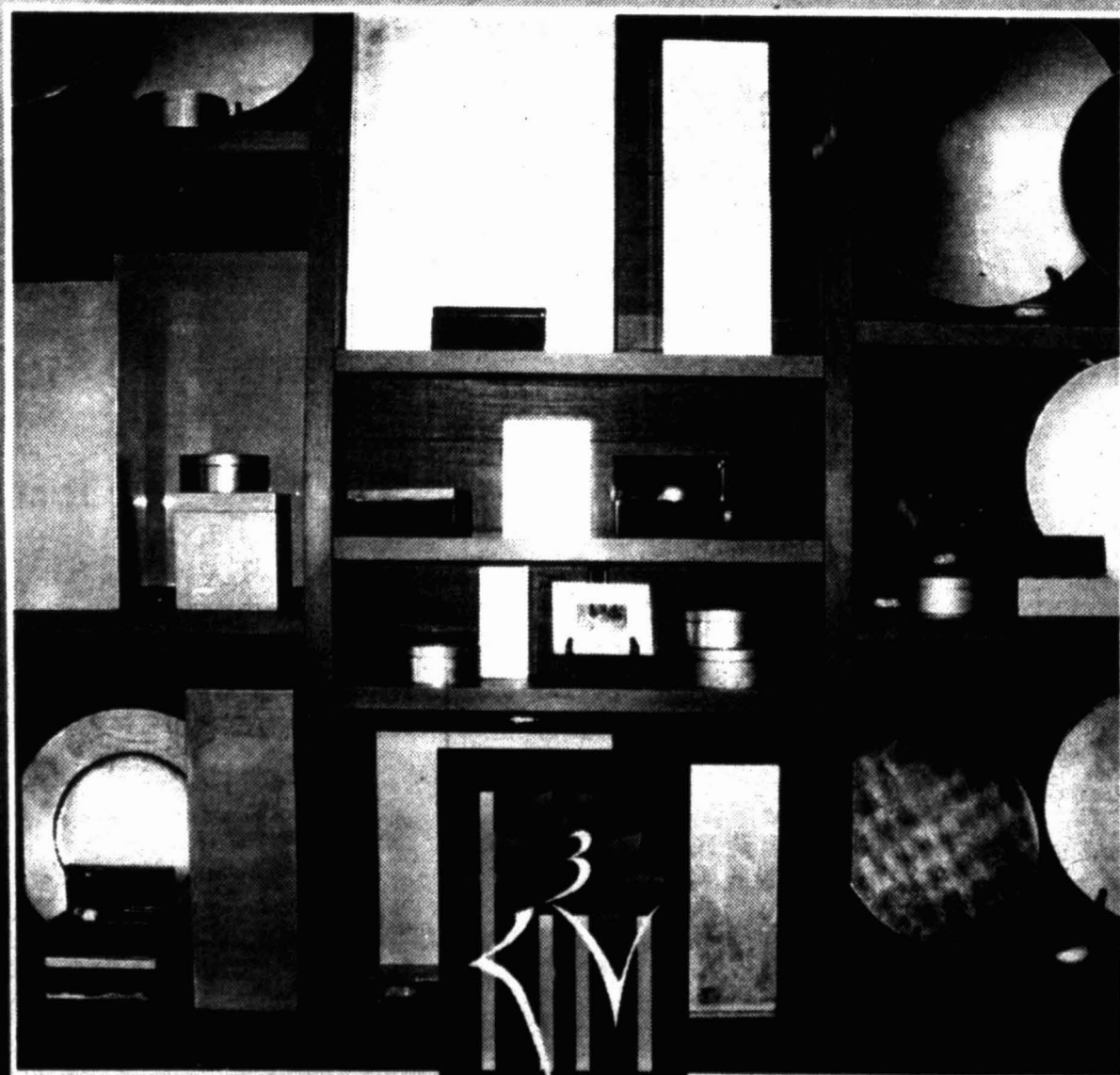
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Do some good on New Year's Day

By MARY BROWNFIELD

IT'S NOT easy to get people out of bed before dawn on New Year's Day, acknowledged Julie Ann Lozano, race director for the Rio Resolution Run. But good coffee, fresh pastries from Parker-Lusseau and a reminder to start the new year out on the right foot — or left — can help.

Even if you hate to run or don't feel like walking, there are plenty of openings for volunteers to help during the Jan. 1 event, which benefits Suicide Prevention Services of the Central Coast. From the designated coffee-maker to those who help clean up at the end of the race, there are volunteer opportunities galore.

"One volunteer starts making coffee at 5 a.m. and doesn't stop until noon or 1 p.m.," Lozano said. She added, laughing, "I've learned I have to have someone exclusively on coffee in order to keep the volunteers happy. And we have good pastries."

People are also needed to distribute the long-sleeved race t-shirts to every registered runner, assist with registration and will call, set up and break down equipment, and prepare for contingencies.

Hope for fair weather

"We always hope for no rain," she said, but if it does, they have to move the brunch inside the Rio Grill in The Crossroads Shopping Village. "One year, we had to get 1,000 wet runners out of the restaurant and get it cleaned up and open by 11 a.m."

Lozano expects about 1,000 people to either run the 6.8-mile course or walk/run the 3-mile family fun run course through Carmel.

For \$28 (or \$24, if people act fast and register by today, Dec. 22) runners receive a race t-shirt, brunch cooked by Rio Grill and served by Monterey Peninsula Kiwanians, and other goodies. They are also eligible for all kinds of prizes, including a drawing for airline tickets, she said. The fee is \$16 for runners 12 and under.

"Start off the new year in a healthy way," Lozano advised. "You don't have to be the fastest runner across the finish line — any registered person is eligible for prizes."

And unlike many races, the Rio Resolution Run invites dogs (on leashes) and strollers.

"Part of it is over trails, so bring something that has four wheel drive, so to speak," Lozano said.

The race begins at The Crossroads, loops through Carmel (and, for the longer race, along the beach), and finishes at Larson Field. Post-race festivities are held back at The Crossroads.

To sweeten the deal for volunteers, race organizers give them everything the runners get, though they are not eligible to win prizes.

Lozano also wanted to remind community members that the run benefits an essential service.

"It's not a warm and fuzzy subject that people want to talk about," Lozano said. "Suicide Prevention of the Central Coast's needs have not gone down, and this is a really tough time of year for them — people need their services."

Anyone interested in walking or running in the Rio Resolution Run can pick up a form at the Rio Grill or The Treadmill, or register online at www.active.com. Volunteers should call Pat Garrigues at Suicide Prevention at 375-6966.

They'd prefer volunteers to call by Dec. 29. But Lozano said, "If they haven't called, they should just come on down on race day, because they can always be put to use somewhere. People can even volunteer and run, or run and then volunteer."

WATER

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sultants to dismiss the assertion of pueblo rights and importation of water from Salinas as options. Several others, including importing water from Humboldt Bay or the Central Valley Project, a desalination plant in Marina and groundwater development in Carmel Valley deep fractured bedrock were put on hold, but may be considered again in the future if the other options fail.

Once a final plan is recommended, it will undergo environmental review along with Plan A — the dam. The water management district, serving as the lead agency, requested the options be studied side by side in the same document.

The PUC's timeline includes having a recommendation finalized by next summer, and anticipates a draft EIR will be ready for review by December 2001. A final EIR is expected to be certified by June 2002, according to the timeline.

The PUC is soliciting comments on its current development phase of Plan B until Jan. 10, 2001, and encouraged people to either mail them to Richard Tom, CPUC, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco 94102, fax them to (415)703-4426 or e-mail them to RUT@cpuc.ca.gov. Please include name, address and phone number.

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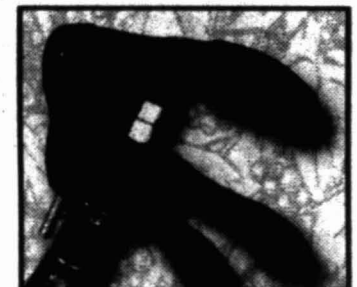
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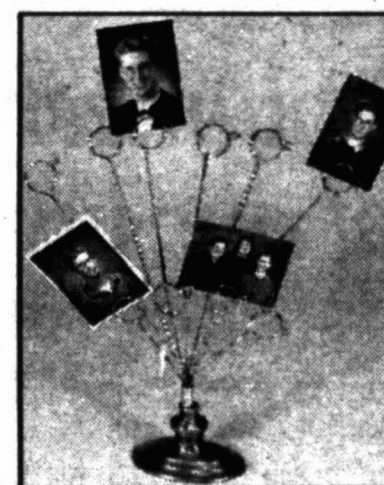
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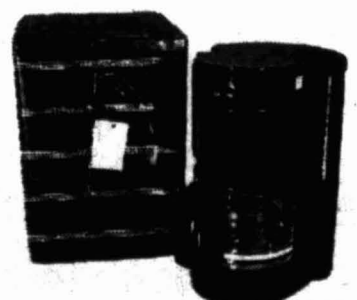
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Carmel native heads San Jose Convention and Visitors Bureau

By TAMARA GRIPPI

CARMEL NATIVE Daniel Fenton, who grew up working for his family at the Cypress Inn, is the new president and CEO of the San Jose Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Fenton, son of Monterey attorney Lewis Fenton of Fenton & Keller, emerged as the favorite for the job after a nationwide search that began with 100 candidates.

Fenton said his early experiences in the Carmel hospitality businesses taught him the important role tourism plays in a community. Fenton's family owned the Cypress Inn from 1969 to 1975.

"As a family we all worked at it for that time," Fenton said. "At age 9, I



Daniel Fenton

used to kid people that I had a schedule."

Even after his family sold the landmark inn, Fenton continued to work in well-known Peninsula hotels, including The Pine Inn and the Hyatt Regency Monterey.

An alumnus of York School and All Saints Day School, Fenton graduated from Cornell University's School of Hospitality Management.

He was a founding member of the San Jose State University Hospitality Management Program.

Fenton has more than 20 years of experience in the hospitality industry, having worked for Hyatt, Amfac, and his own company, DNF Group, Inc.

Four years ago he joined the board of directors of the San Jose Convention and Visitors Bureau.

"Because of my roots, not only in the industry, but in a town where tourism is critical, I understand the economic value of visitors coming into the area," he said.

As CEO of the visitors bureau, Fenton said his greatest challenge will be making San Jose more attractive to travellers.

"We're going through a tremendous amount of development and we're looking for ways to involve San Jose as a destination," Fenton said.

Fenton and his wife, Denise, hope to buy a house and return to the area one day, Fenton said.

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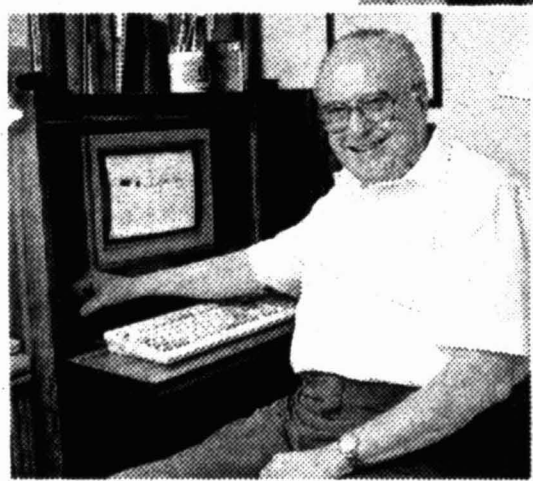


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The Golden Years



By Myles Williams

Roy R. Neuberger was born in 1903. He admired paintings and wanted to be an artist but was not successful. He went to work on Wall Street and made it big as the founder of a leading brokerage firm. He began to buy paintings, but not those of famous artists. He was moved by the plight of Vincent van Gogh, whose talent was unrecognized during his lifetime. Neuberger bought works of contemporary unknowns. In 1974 he gave much of his collection to a museum. Among the treasures are works by Georgia O'Keeffe, Jackson Pollack, Willem de Kooning and Edward Hopper. Honored at a 95th birthday party at the museum, he said he was lucky "to have met a good number of artists and scholars. They are the great people of our country."

Dr. Leila Denmark got her medical degree in 1928 and specialized in pediatrics. At age 100 she is the oldest active U.S. physician. Parents bring their children to her sparse office in Alpharetta, Georgia, near Atlanta, without an appointment. She has no secretary, no nurse, no computer or fax machine. Her fee is \$10.00 per visit. Parents adore her concentration on the well-being of the children, despite her oldtime attitude that mothers should stay home and devote full time to the family. When to retire? "When I can't see right or don't hear right or think I'm getting to where I can't think right."

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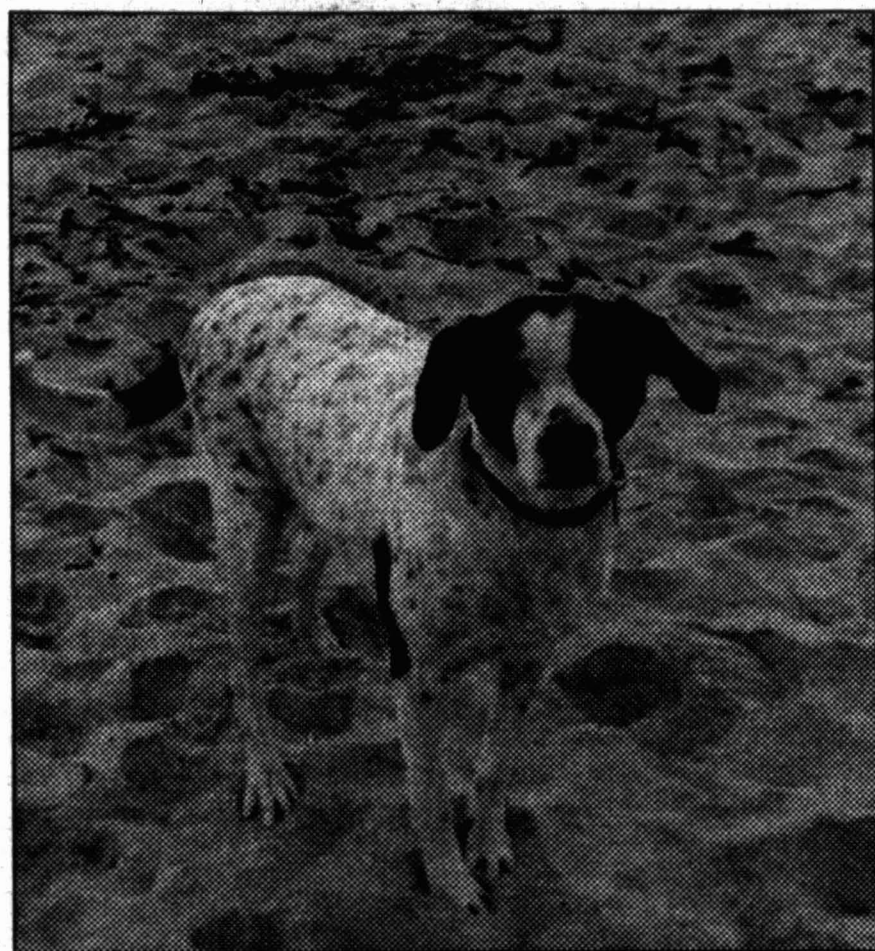
JACK IS BACK! Jacaranda Rerig, 5, has recovered 99 percent from that parking lot accident last May, a shattering and traumatic event that also brought to light an insurance company's policy of not differentiating canine family members from personal property. Thus, a minuscule \$325 insurance payment scarcely made a dent in Jack's almost \$9,000 medical and acupuncture bills. Hanson Art Gallery on Ocean came to the rescue by holding a Jacaranda benefit, which netted almost \$7,000.

But let's not dwell on the past: We think our readers will count it a wonderful Christmas present to learn that Jack is back to her old happy-go-lucky romps on both Carmel and Asilomar Beaches, playing with pals and Dad Chip and Mom Caren. An English pointer, Jack loves to run in and out of the surf.

At home, where Jacaranda is an only daughter, she plays with her stuffed toys, especially Simba, the Lion King, which she carries about from room to room and sleeps with in one of her two "bagel" beds she keeps in the kitchen and bedroom.

When we met Jack and Dad Chip on the beach Wednesday for this admittedly set-up photo, they were planning to go to an office cookie party immediately after the photo shoot and interview. Dad Chip made some people cookies for colleagues and some very special canine cookies for Jacaranda. Jack offers the recipe to all her Sandy Claws friends, but not being able to write or read, she was unable to give us quantities or baking times: Mix into a dough a melange of molasses, whole wheat flour, soy flour, corn meal, eggs, milk and pumpkin seeds. Roll out on floured board. (Jack says don't roll *in* it, as she would like to do). Use cookie cutters to cut out stars, Christmas trees, circles or even bones. Bake in moderate oven on a cookie sheet until done.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to each one of our furry friends and their families from Jacaranda and Margot!



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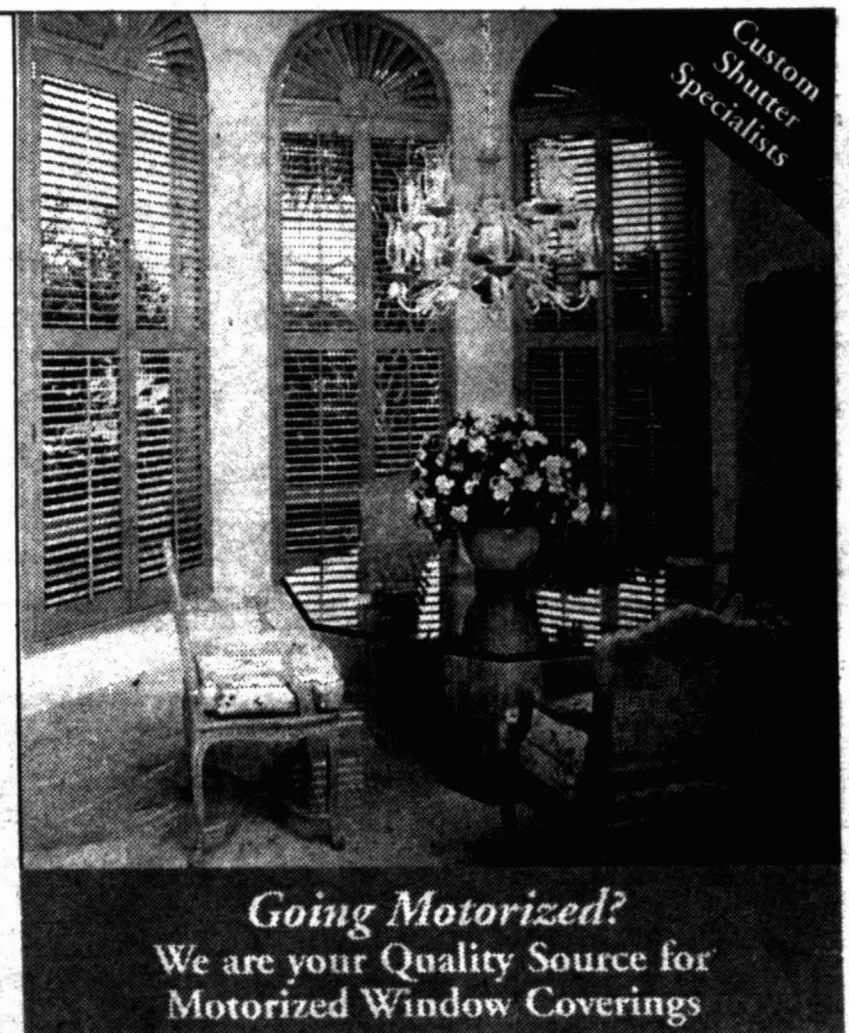
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DENTISTS

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"People have been so incredible in this community," she said. "So we are thankful, and all of the people in Guatemala are thankful, too."

First-timer

Pebble Beach resident Twyla Thompson accompanied the Flying Dentists, an experience she said far exceeded her expectations. Thompson, who said she has wanted to help people in other countries ever since she was a young girl, happily accepted the Faia's offer to accompany them to Guatemala this year.

"I just jumped on it and loved the idea, and it was a lot more than I even expected," said Thompson, who has known Susie and Ron Faia for 25 years. "When you go away to a foreign country, you obviously appreciate living in America."

Although Thompson had some training as a nurse, she had no experience with dental work and went along to assist in any way she could, offering herself as a "gopher." She returned with hours of hands-on dental training.

"But most gratifying for me was being able to walk into a room where a mother or child was sitting in the chair terrified, and trying to encourage them," she said. "I don't speak



PHOTO COURTESY SUSIE FAIA

Brandi Faia, daughter of Ron and Susie Faia, was one of several dentists who flew to Guatemala in November to care for needy children who otherwise would suffer a lifetime of problems from poor dental hygiene.

Spanish either, so I would touch them, hold their hands, smile; whatever would give them a little bit of an ability to relax. That made it easier for the dentists, too, so I did as much of that as I could."

Thompson said the trip impacted her in ways she didn't even realize until she returned home.

"I was flattered to be asked, and excited, but a little apprehensive. But the rewards were a lot greater than I expected," she said. "When you come back into a holiday season from being in a country that is deprived of certain things, you look at Christmas and the holidays in a much more relaxed way.

Nobody really needs anything here, so my attitude is quite different and it's made it more enjoyable for me. Everything we think we need, we really don't need."

Trash crash traps tree-jumping boy

WHEN JUMPING out of a tree, don't aim for the garbage can below, because you just might hit the target and stick.

An 8-year-old Carmel boy learned that lesson firsthand Dec. 17, when fire and police officers had to rescue him from the trash can in which he was lodged.

"It was about 18 inches in diameter and three or four feet high," said Carmel Fire Department shift commander Bruce Meyer. "He just placed himself right dead center in the middle of the can."

The boy had apparently jumped from a tree straight into the can, and became stuck when his legs bent underneath him. He was trapped up to his armpits, according to Meyer.

"He jumped with both legs straight, but his knees bent and folded perpendicular to each other — he was squeezed in pretty good and terribly mortified."

After attempts to pull him out failed, fire personnel rolled the can on its side 180 degrees to shift the boy's weight, and were then able to extricate him.

They did not have to cut the can, according to Meyer, and the boy was fine. The whole rescue took about 20 minutes, he said.

"Police were en route and we were en route, and when we got there, everyone stood there in awe for a minute," he said.

Unfortunately, (or fortunately for the boy) no one had a camera handy to document the trash landing.

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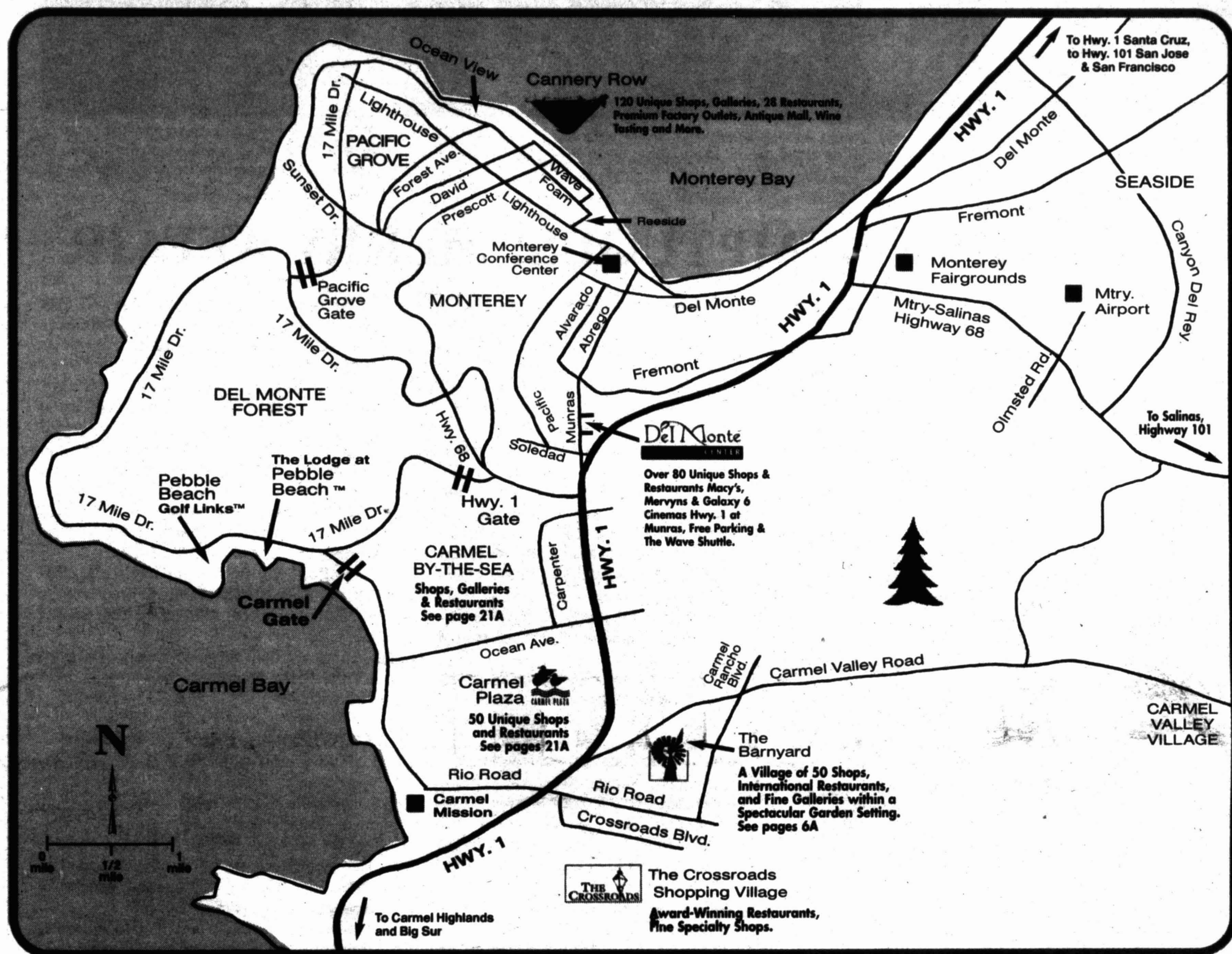
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Dance Kids launches fund drive

DANCE KIDS, Inc., a Carmel-based, non-profit, youth performing arts organization, has auspiciously launched its fundraising drive to stage productions in 2001.

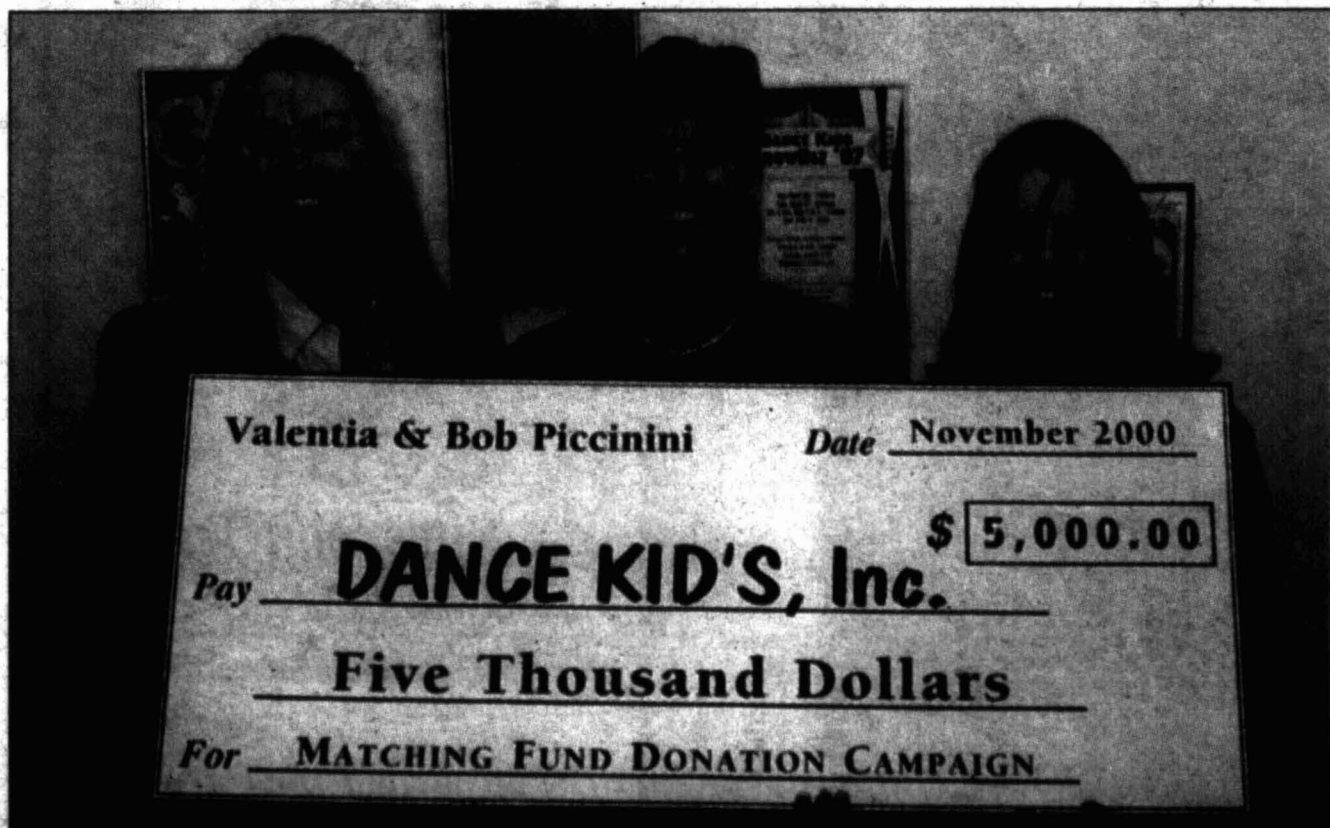
At the recent board of directors meeting, Valentia and Bob Piccinini of Pebble Beach presented a \$5,000 donation.

"Dance Kids is a wonderful and necessary organization serving the youth of Monterey County," said Valentia Piccinini. "We are fortunate to be able to offer dance

and theater training to so many. Bob and I are only too happy to help, and hope others in the community will join us, especially during the holiday season of giving."

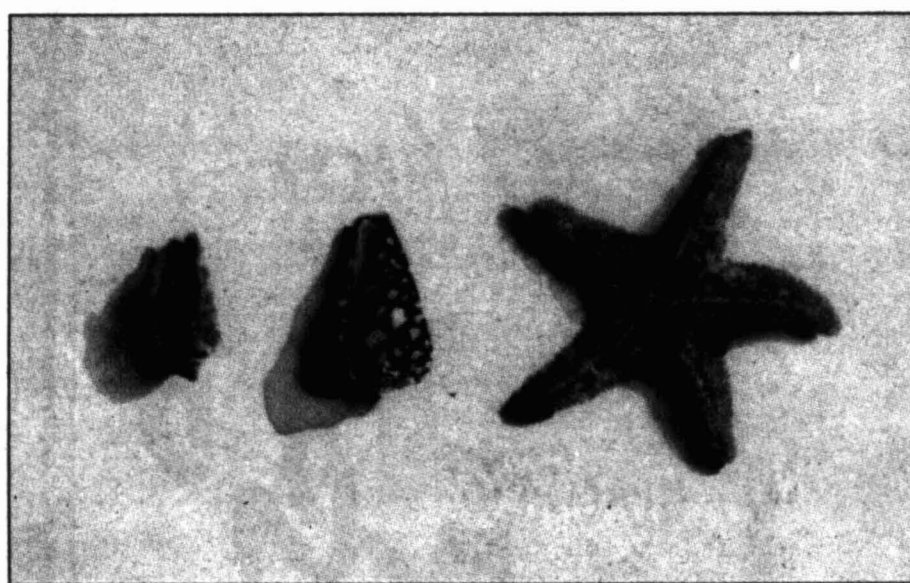
According to Dance Kids President-elect Laurie Sellers, "We hope to develop 'matching funds' from others to help support our next full-length ballet, 'Cinderella.'"

For more information about Dance Kids or to make a donation, call 626-2980.



Carol Richmond, Dance Kids founder and artistic director, holds the matching funds check with Valentia Piccinini, who donated the original \$5,000, and Laurie Sellers, Dance Kids president-elect.

Takigawa originals shown



WHAT: Watercolors and pastels by Carmel Valley artist Pamela Takigawa

WHEN: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays; reception 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12

WHERE: Marjorie Evans Gallery in Sunset Center, San Carlos at Ninth, Carmel

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Local stars in new Christmas album

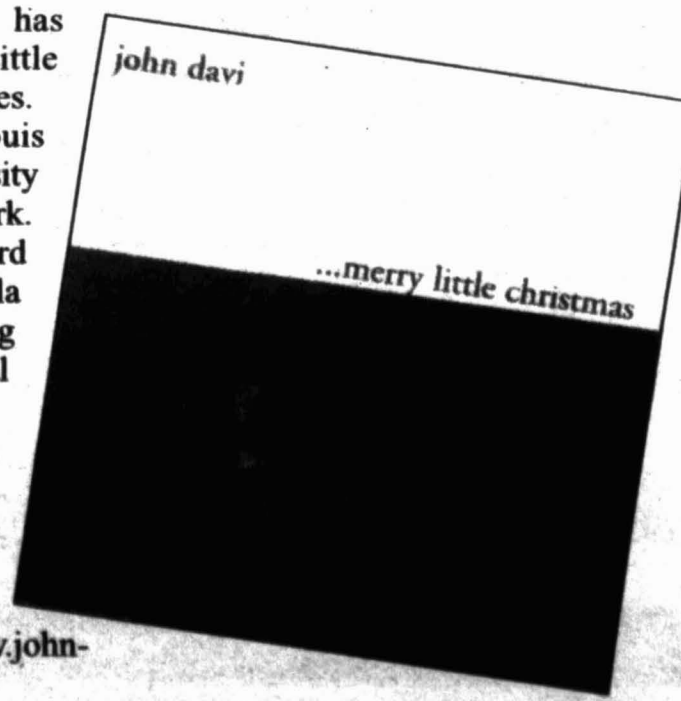
CARMEL NATIVE John Davi has released his debut album, "Merry Little Christmas," a collection of holiday favorites.

Davi graduated from Robert Louis Stevenson School and Stanford University and currently makes his home in Menlo Park.

In college, Davi sang with the Stanford Fleet Street Singers, its all-male, a capella ensemble. "Web Surfin'", a comedic song he co-wrote and sang, received national radio play last year.

His new album, released by Laurel Street Records, presents a big band/jazz collection of Christmas classics, from a bossa nova interpretation of "White Christmas" to a samba "Feliz Navidad."

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At the Feast for AIDS, Gus Barkley and philanthropist Lloyd Morain were in excellent company — the gorgeous event co-chairs, Amy Funt and Jean Hurd.



Ken Krings, Sallie Brun, David Yntema, J.R. Rouse and Flossie Stowell were in high spirits at the Feast for AIDS held at the DoubleTree Hotel. Seven chefs prepared seven courses for an unforgettable dinner.



Bob & Judy Profeta, among the sponsors of the Feast for AIDS, were trying to figure out where a very large kilim being auctioned off, could fit.

FEAST FOR AIDS A SUMPTUOUS, MERRY AFFAIR

DEAR SANTA:

I tried very hard to be good this year. I kept my four-letter blips to a minimum and blessed every nasty person around. So here's what I really, really want from you this year:

■ a "Park-Absolutely-Anywhere" frou-frou columnist's pass, which I swear will be used solely in the commission of an assignment. (Ouch! I think I just pulled a muscle in my fingers as I tried to cross them...);

■ to keep my weight stable so when I get dressed for my froufrou outings, I don't have to keep enlarging the size of the safety pin holding "it" all in;

■ a large magnifying glass to peer at the vaguely discernible names on the name tags of mystery guests in the photos;

■ to speed up award presentations as I crouch — with nylons AND high heels — waiting to snap "the" photo. One of these days my knees may have to be unlocked with the Jaws of Life. And finally,

■ to give me enough courage to ask my

sister for her name. I think I forgot it.

BY NOW, it's a well-known fact: if you're going to the Feast for AIDS, you better fast for at least a whole day — if not a weekend!

The six-course extravaganza of the Monterey County AIDS Project (MCAP), orchestrated masterfully by Chef Chair Terry Teplitzky, was held Dec. 10 at the DoubleTree Hotel.

Both co-chairs, Amy Funt and Jean Hurd, looked breathtakingly gorgeous in stunning, sophisticated evening gowns.

The annual Chairmen's Award, which recognizes individuals who have shown exceptional dedication to MCAP, was given this year to Robert Shuler, a landscape designer.

"He has worked so hard for us, to add to the bottom line," said co-chair Amy, explaining, "He has been instrumental in getting big ticket items that have earned us tens of thousands of dollars."

Robert, who also did the décor for the party, admitted later that his main source of support over the years of working with MCAP fundraisers has been his life partner, Michael Helmes.

"Every time I've gotten involved in another project with the group, he's been there every step of the way," he stated. "It

was an honor to receive the award, but I really accepted it on behalf of both of us."

Amy's hubby Peter, drafted as auctioneer, later kept the guests entertained with his droll humor while spotters like Shane Fuller tried to keep an eye on the huge crowd.

One auction item had quite an interesting recent history:

A baseball originally signed only by Willie Mays, it gained even more value when Jean Hurd and Peter Funt decided to get it signed by Willie's godson, current Giants star Barry Bonds. (Hats off to Peter's chutzpah in calling Barry!)

Denise & Ducky O'Toole got some serious holiday shopping done just through the auctions.

Not only were they the lucky bidders on Willie's baseball, they also walked out with a dining room table & chairs (!!), a Harley Davidson jacket, a Pebble Beach golf game with Peter that he had donated himself, and a myriad of other goodies!

Flossie Stowell, who just returned to the board after a few years off, has seen the support for MCAP grow, though the diversity in AIDS patients has grown, too.

"We're seeing much more among seniors," she stated.

Seniors?! How?

As MCAP's David Magana stated, "People in certain age groups — such as seniors — just don't see themselves at risk for HIV and so they don't bother with protection."

Well-known local oncologists attending included Dr. Jerry Rubin with wife Suellen and Dr. Roger Shiffman with wife Joanne.

Betsy LeClerc, a retired flight attendant who has served on several Feast committees over the years, brought along first-timer Rodney Hunter.

Ellen Shapiro, who works at CHOMP, heard about the Feast's reputation and came along with Zach Spencer who actually had a great time at the party last year.

Law school consultant Suzy Golden was quite emphatic with her date, Ed Kling, in telling him about the event.

"She told me, 'You shouldn't miss it!'" he recalled.

William Smith, with wife Loretta, chatted with friends Patti & Matt Yurus. Patti, a nurse, has worked with HIV patients over the years.

Hats off to all those who worked so hard for the Feast, especially the chefs, and for the cause!

Architects gather at Tehama

If you want to throw a party for architects, where's a great place?

Tehama Golf Club, of course, which, aside from having fabulous views, is probably the best example around of a "green" facility — hot stuff by today's building standards. (It relies on photovoltaic panels for power.)

Thus it was that on Dec. 17 the Monterey Bay Chapter of the American Institute of Architects gathered in the clubhouse for the induction of its officers and a presentation of design awards. (See article and photos beginning on page 4B).

Outgoing board president Michael

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Night of the Truffles: Totally truffeized dinner overwhelms Morgan

"OVERWHELMS" doesn't really hit the mark. We toyed with "stuns," but that would seem to imply we were rendered senseless or made numb. "Stupefies" would probably connote paralyzation of some kind (never a good word coupled with a discussion of fungi), and "dumbfounds" would imply that we were briefly confounded.

Suffice it to say that while we were not temporarily traumatized by the surfeit of truffles at the Dec. 15 Truffle Dinner at Pacific's Edge restaurant at Highlands Inn, Carmel, we were, nevertheless, awestruck by chef de cuisine Philip Baker's ingenuity and artistry in planning, creating and preparing the seven courses we ate our way through — all incorporating truffles. Chef Baker was aided and abetted by pastry chef Elizabeth Scherber and wine director Bernabe DeLuna.

For those readers not personally acquainted with truffles, let us say up front that few people are. They are hard to come by. They are atrociously expensive (one would indeed be stunned when buying a pound, not knowing beforehand their per ounce price), and yes, they are fungi (genus tuber); not vegetable or fruit — simply fungi that grow in the soil beneath oak trees — down to a foot underground. They are sniffed out by specially trained pigs or dogs, and when they are found and dug up by these slave animals, the round little fungus is wrested from the salivating jaws of the finder by the slave owner. Did we mention that white truffles grow in Italy's Piedmont region, particularly around Alba, and black truffles in the Périgord and Quercy regions of France and the Umbria region of Italy — necessitating import to the U.S. for wealthy gourmands? Current market price of the small, crinkly black truffle runs from \$450 to \$590 a pound; the larger, smoother white truffle is going for between \$1,725 and \$1,900 per pound.

In the late '70s, an American entrepreneur imported trained European animals to sniff out truffles from beneath the many

Pebble Beach names Nase to wines & spirits post

A FREQUENT sojourner to the vineyards of Europe and the United States has been named Wine and Spirits Director for Pebble Beach Resorts.

Joseph Nase — whose background includes beverage directorship of Lespinasse in New York's five-star, five-diamond St. Regis Hotel, wine director of Gotham Bar & Grill in Greenwich Village, manager of The Pierre's food and beverage outlets, and cellar master at Stanford Court Hotel, San Francisco — will oversee the buying of wines, spirits and beverages for The Inn at Spanish Bay, The Lodge at Pebble Beach and Casa Palmero.

oaks that dot the hills of Sonoma County. Much fanfare, print and electronic media hype accompanied the daring venture, but it soon faded into the oblivion of just another bright idea that didn't pan out.

Why all this fuss over fungi? Once you have inhaled the perfume of a truffle, have savored its sensual qualities, you will be captivated. The truffle has been credited with both therapeutic and aphrodisiac power.

Another expense involved in incorporating truffles in a dish fit for a king, is a \$16.95 truffle shaver, a metal implement with oh-so-sharp blades that allows the chef to shave and sliver paper-thin slices of truffle over a steaming plate of spaghetti, fettuccine or into a *minestre* plate of creamy risotto. Is it any wonder that the per person tariff at Pacific's Edge dinner was \$225?

After a little *amuse-gueule* (cocktail snack) of tasty cauliflower custard served in an eggshell and topped with caviar — paired with a '93 Champagne Deutz, brut — we went on to a potato crusted

scallop, which had been cut horizontally in thirds to insert sliced truffles, then wrapped in thinly sliced potato, seared in clarified butter, and finished in the oven until the potato edges were crispy. It was accompanied by white truffle shallot chutney and served with an Eisele Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc, Araujo Estate Wines, Napa Valley, a 1998 vintage.

We were off to a fine start. A heavenly Sea bass followed, with an edamame (fresh soybean) croquette and truffle *nage* (truffle reduced down to its essence), paired with a '93 Clavoillon Burgundy, a Domaine LeFlaive, Puligny-Montrachet.

Essence of truffle

Let us insert here, that diners at the table of eight at which we were seated, were regaled with delightful food and skiing stories by our dinner partner, Nils Stolzlechner, executive assistant manager of Food and Beverage at Pacific's Edge, a former chef and ski-jump champion of Austria. He suggested that a truffle can be stored in containered rice (imparting its flavor for a later risotto), and in a covered jar with very fresh eggs. The essence of truffle will penetrate the shells and flavor the yolk and white — very much as lambs of St. Michel becoming *pre-salé* as they ingest sea grasses at low tide. The eggs then can be scrambled or made into a flavorful omelette.

Pacific's Edge manager, Erik Lindolm, appeared as each new course was being placed before us by a waitstaff so adept and well trained we were unaware of their presence. Erik explained exactly how each dish had been prepared by Chef Baker, which added immensely to the enjoyment of each course.

Wine director Bernabe DeLuna, who had

been mentored by Mark Jensen — before leaving Highlands Inn to join Bernardus Lodge in Carmel Valley — impressed the assemblage by his remarkable knowledge of wine. Before pouring the wine selected for each new course, Bernabe discoursed eruditely on the wine and why it was selected as an accompaniment to that particular course. In some future column, Bernabe and his sojourn from a little village in Mexico to the heady heights of Highlands' 16,000 bottle wine cellar (valued at \$685,000) will be recorded.

A truffle soufflé, served in tiny ramekins, was the next course, accompanied by a Madeira sauce. The soufflé was opened by pressing a spoon into its steaming middle, and the sauce poured in sparingly. A 1984 Amador County Harbor Winery Mission Del Sol late harvest wine, much like a tawny port, was perfectly paired with the soufflé.

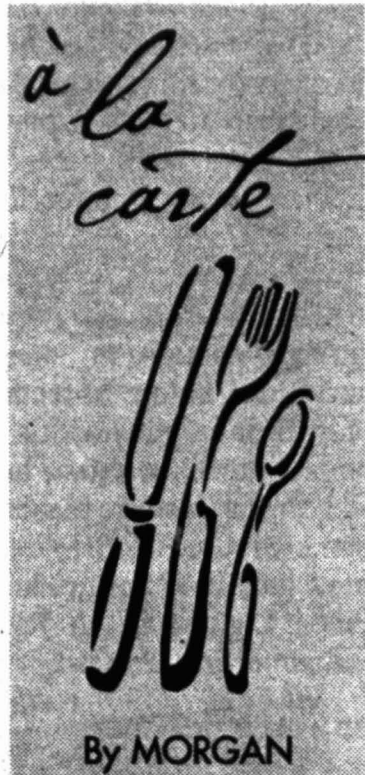
Three more courses — the really big guns of the evening — followed in this order: Potato gnocchi shared a dinner plate

with white truffles, sweetbreads and porcini mushrooms (served with a '96 Rhône Valley Comaine J.L. Chave - Hermitage - Blanc); Foie gras and breast of pheasant combined with truffled potato purée (with a '92 Côte de Nuits Domaine Dujac - Chambolle Musigny - Les Gruenchers); and braised short rib with truffle-glazed autumn vegetables (with a Rioja, Spain 1994 Remelluri).

Dessert was a little black truffle panna cotta with a white truffle-passion fruit syrup, topped prettily by a candied mango flower. A 1995 Kremstal, Austria Nigl, Grüner Veltliner, Beerenauslese capped the evening.

It was a memorable event, and Chef Baker can only be referred to as a genius.

Nils told us that Highlands Inn plans to continue bringing the truffle dinner annually to Pacific's Edge, and while Friday's attendance was small, so were the first few gatherings of the Masters of Food and Wine — which, in its 15th year in February 2001, will draw hundreds of epicures to the inn from all over the world.



Festa di Tartufo celebrates truffle season at Club XIX

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

IT WAS once believed that truffles grew under ground at the spot where lightning had struck, later to be discovered by truffle pigs. While this is probably hogwash, it's true that some truffle hunting farmers take their trained pigs or dogs out at night during truffle season (November, December and January) under cover of darkness, so spies cannot see from under which tree the truffles are unearthed. Truffles — the rarest and most expensive food on earth — frequently grow in the same spot each year, making their location a guarded secret — a treasure trove for the farmer.

To celebrate truffle season, a special Festa di Tartufo is being held nightly through the month of December in Restaurant Club XIX at The Lodge at Pebble Beach. Chef de cuisine Bertrand Bouquin is offering a three course prix fixe "Festa di Tartufo" dinner for \$95. Four entrées are also offered: Tuna tartare with black truffle and anchovy dressing (\$23); Monterey Bay salmon layered with black truffle, served with creamy polenta (\$32); Beef Rossini topped with foie gras and back truffle on a bed of spinach with gnocchi gratin (\$33); homemade fettuccini with hand-shaved white truffle (\$48) and white truffle baked potato (\$45).

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THE BOOKSHELF

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IF THERE'S a very special Christmas gift you have yet to buy, "Hearst Castle — The Biography of a Country House" by Victoria Kastner may very well fill the bill.

This splendid book is filled with stunning photos by Victoria Garagliano and the text simply could not be more intriguing.

Kastner, as the castle's in-staff researcher and resident author, has done a superlative job in writing this book — the first to be written about *La Cuesta Encantada* (the enchanted hill) in 40 years due to a moratorium on any substantive written material leaving the castle. She has just returned to the castle from a book promotion tour for Harry N. Abrams, NYC, publishers of the large format, 240-page hardcover (retailing at \$49.50). The tour took her to the Metropolitan Museum of Art where she addressed more than 500 people, then went on to the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington,

D.C., followed by other talks and booksignings in major cities.

Last week she was taped for C-Span's Book Talk which will be broadcast at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 23 and at 5 p.m. on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. Kastner is an erudite, articulate person with a great enthusiasm for her subject. If you make time during the holiday to listen to Kastner talk about the book, you will be well rewarded.

Dedicated to the creative spirit of William Randolph Hearst and Julia Morgan, the book enables readers to come away with an insider's view of the castle, of Hearst and of his genius of an architect, Julia Morgan.

Kastner is privy to the archives that house nearly 10,000 of Morgan's architectural drawings, many with notes written on them by Hearst over 30 years of construction, and over 1,000 letters and telegrams between them. Working at the castle for many years, Kastner has come to know intimately almost every object of art and decorative art as well as the architectural history and biography of America's greatest newspaper tycoon.

Who else could have written this book with so much insight and scholarly knowledge? Garagliano's superb photographs match Kastner's text in sensitivity and technical acumen. Royalties for this splendid book go to Friends of Hearst Castle for its upkeep and maintenance.

If you are unable to make the three-hour drive south to San Simeon, do buy this book. You will cherish it.

AND SPEAKING of Hearst Castle, a ghost story concerning the master bedroom in that many-roomed mansion is told by Randall Reinstedt in his latest book, "California Ghost Notes — Haunted Happenings Throughout the Golden State." You've read about Reinstedt's other books in

this column — six of them about historic ghosts — all written with a California history base. Although adults enjoy his books, they are written for fourth grade students studying California history. A former fourth grade teacher, Reinstedt lectures at schools and teachers' conferences throughout the state. More than 300,000 copies of his books have been published by Ghost Town Publications of Carmel, garnering more than \$1 million in sales.

This latest book (dedicated, fittingly enough, to "those who have gone before"), records not only facts about historic places up and down the coast, but recounts vivid ghost stories and sightings at historic places (none gory or gruesome), such as our own Carmel Mission, Hotel Del Monte in Monterey (now the Naval Postgraduate School's Herrmann Hall), Point Pinos Lighthouse in Pacific Grove and even Simpson's restaurant in Carmel-by-the-Sea. Reinstedt investigated the restaurant ghost story after reading about it in *The Pine Cone*, which he thoughtfully credits.

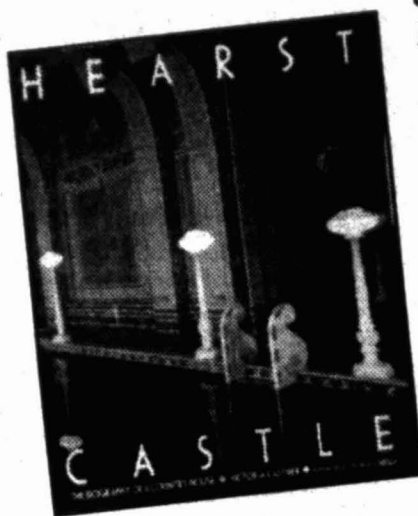
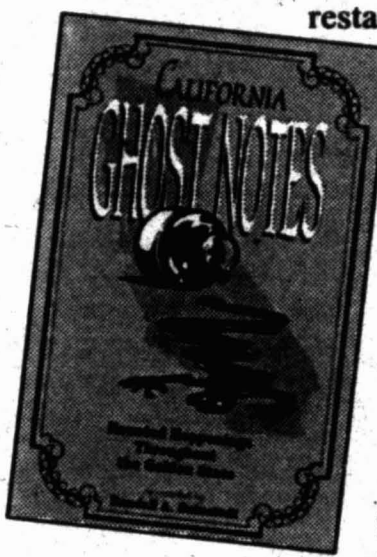
Just in time for Christmas: A signed copy by the author will make a very special gift to youngsters (and ghost- and California history-loving adults) on your list. The author will be at three booksignings this weekend: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 23 at The Thunderbird Bookshop, The Barnyard Shopping Village Carmel; 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23 at Bay Books, 316 Alvarado St., Monterey; and 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 24 at Borders, 2080 California Ave., San City. The 242-page softcover book retails for \$11.95. For information, call Ghost Town Publications at 373-2885.

HERE'S A book that might make a difference in a teenager's life: "Dear Teenager, If You Only Knew" by Carmel Valley's Peter Burwash. An internationally known athlete, health advocate and motivational speaker, Burwash passes down from one generation to the next the wisdom of experience — in a frank and insightful way, from a place of respect. His book is filled with real life examples and entertaining anecdotes, and it's a short, easy read that offers hope, encouragement and practical solutions to young people trying to make it through their teen years. Service to others is the touchstone of Burwash's philosophy for happiness. His book, "Tennis for Life," sold over a million copies. Of "Dear Teenager," the School Library Journal said, "... written in a clear, conversational style, minus the extraneous lecturing, the book succeeds in presenting some sound advice." This little 122-page hardcover book retails for \$12.95 and is available from most local bookstores, or from the publisher, Torchlight Publishing, Badger, CA at (559) 337-2200.

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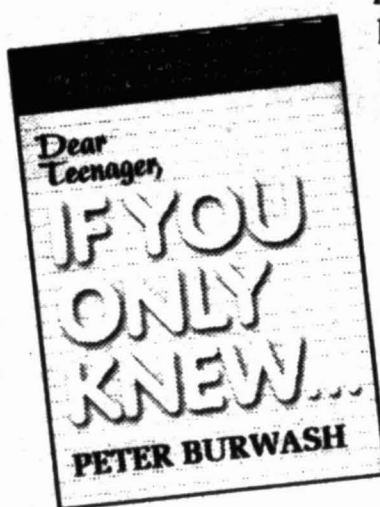
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Bill McCloud, Sandy & Jerry Lomax, and Karen Patriquin caught up with each other at the American Institute of Architects awards dinner.



NEEDLES

From page 16A

Waxer has had little time to twiddle his thumbs this past year.

Client Clint Eastwood's recent run-in with the American Disabilities Act issue kept Michael busy with helping improve federal legislation on that front.

The Institute also held its first annual "Green Event," helping the public better understand sustainable energy. "Unfortunately, legislation is falling behind progress," Michael said.

Incoming president Mike Elizondo, added his observation of the growing interest in sustainable energy among business owners.

He sees this boom time as challenging for the institute.

"This is our members' busiest time," he explained, adding, "so it's hard to keep them involved in the AIA."

But not all their work is so serious. Waxer, who has helped judge the annual Carmel Sandcastle Contest for some years,

confessed to finally "being at peace" with the concept of bribery.

"It took years for me to become comfortable with it," he said, with a straight face. "Now I accept all foot massages and food treats."

Judy & John Thodos attended, along with some of John's team, John Scourkes and Erik Dyar.

John Thodos has been retained to build a third section for the always in the news Sea Urchin/Periwinkle property. Included in that assignment is the "rehabilitation" of the two little cottages.

"I've nicknamed the new section 'Barnacle,'" he stated, smiling.

If a magic genie gave him the chance to build anything, what would he pick?

"A church in Greece," he said unhesitatingly, adding, "A modern interpretation of Byzantine architecture."

Clarifying, he said: "They keep building in the 15th century manner, but what they do is a disgrace to the builders of that time."

The Thodos' divide their time between Greece, France and Carmel.

Sandy Lomax, with architect hubby

Jerry, had invited her boss, Tom Denny to the party. Sandy is marketing/advertising manager with Tom's Axiom II business interiors of Monterey.

Others who attended included Bill McCloud, the Post Ranch's contractor, seen with his sweetheart, Karen Patriquin.

Kathleen Ventimiglia has been involved

in some of the Monterey Aquarium's expansion.

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"Learning what goes on behind the scenes," she said, explaining, "the intricacies of keeping these creatures alive dictated how the public would eventually view the exhibits."

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HERBERT CARL REUTER died Nov. 20 at his Pebble Beach home at the age of 103. Mr. Reuter served in the U.S. Army for 34 years and retired in 1954 with the rank of colonel. He has lived in Pebble Beach since 1954.

Mr. Reuter was an avid bridge and dominoes player and an accomplished gardener who was very proud of his lemons and supplied all who knew him. Mr. Reuter graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West

Point with a B.S. degree in 1920.

His memberships included the Monterey Peninsula Country Club, Elks Club of Monterey, life member of the Masonic Lodge in Enterprise, Kansas from which he received a 75-year member award; life member of the Elks Lodge in Port Townsend, Wash; member of Veterans of Foreign Wars No. 8679, Seaside; and the Retired Officer's Association.

Survivors include his son, Herbert, of

Fresno. Memorials are suggested to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula.

HARRIET HATTON PARKER, a native of Carmel and member of the Hatton family of Carmel Valley, died Nov. 20 at her home in Oakmont, Sonoma County. She is survived by her son, David, of Carmel and was preceded in death by her son, Timothy and husband, Irving.

Mrs. Parker attended schools in Carmel and Monterey as well as Oregon State University, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

At her request, no services were held. Donations may be made to the Timothy Hatton Parker Arts Funds, Music Center of Los Angeles County, 717 West Temple, Suite 400, Los Angeles, CA 90012, or to the donor's favorite charity.

A MEMORIAL service is slated Dec. 30 at the Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford for **VICTOR C. VAUGHAN III**, M.D., who died Nov. 30. He was 81.

A member of a prominent medical family, Dr. Vaughan graduated from Harvard College and Harvard Medical School, as did his three brothers. Following a distinguished career as a hospital chairman and director, he served as clinical professor of pediatrics at Stanford University from 1988 to the present. He was co-editor of the "Nelson Textbook of Pediatrics" and he served for more than 15 years as consultant editor of the PREP Program of the American

Academy of Pediatrics. He was president of the American Board of Pediatrics and founded the American Board of Allergy and Immunology.

Local survivors include his wife, Iris F. Litt, M.D., of Stanford and Carmel Valley.

The family suggests contributions to the Children's Defense Fund, Planned Parenthood, the Friend's Medical Society or the Stanford University Center for Biomedical Ethics.

EUNICE PEARL HAZELTON MILLER, a 40-year resident of Carmel Valley, died Dec. 1 at her home there, surrounded by members of her family. She was 82.

Born in Phoenix, she was the descendant of four pioneer Arizona families. After her husband, Col. James K. Miller, retired from the Army in 1960, she was able to fulfill her long-held dream of continuing her education. She attended MPC and earned her B.A. in sociology at UC Santa Cruz, choosing to attend her son's graduation rather than her own. She obtained her master's in Christian studies from the New College for Advanced Christian Studies in Berkeley in 1980.

A feminist, Mrs. Miller participated in the Bay Area Evangelical Women's Caucus and was president of the Monterey County Democratic Women's Club in the 1980s. She co-founded the Monterey Peninsula Samaritan Foundation in 1982.

She was a charter member of Cypress Community Church, the Monterey Bay

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Milestones

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In addition to her husband of 59 years, she is survived by her daughters, JoAnn Johnson of Aromas and Janet Sue Wills of Napa; her son, James K. Jr. of Ohio; her sisters, Brookie Whyte and Elma-Louise Hazleton, both of Phoenix; a brother, Robert Hazelton of Surprise, Ariz. and six grandchildren.

Contributions in her memory should be sent to the School of Performing Arts, Cypress Community Church, Box 3170, Monterey, CA 93942.

RICHARD P. DOE, M.D., Ph.D., 74, professor emeritus of the University of Minnesota Medical School, died Dec. 11 in Carmel, his home since 1988.

Dr. Doe graduated from the University of Minnesota Medical School and received his Ph.D. in biochemistry in 1966. His achievements include the isolation of a hormone binding protein (transcortin) and the development of the methodology for measurement of nonprotein cortisol. His lifelong interests included politics, sports, bridge and investing.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Shirley of Carmel; sons Charles of St. Louis Park, Minn. and Robert of Edina, Minn.; daughter Nancy Maday of Colorado Springs, Colo.; brother Bruce of Springfield, Va. and two grandsons.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made of the University of California, San Francisco Foundation, c/o Dr. Howard Fields, Neurology Faculty Practice, 400 Parnassus Ave., San Francisco, CA 94143, for Thalamic Pain Research.

ROBERT R. DAVIS, a U.S. Air Force veteran of World War II and an engineer with the U.S. Government for 35 years, died Dec. 11. He was 83.

He graduated from Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio. A Carmel resident for 14 years, Mr. Davis previously

resided in Los Angeles and Dayton, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ann, in 1996; and is survived by a son, Byron of Florida; daughter Patricia VanKirk of San Mateo and three grandchildren.

JEANNE RICHELLE DUCASSE LAUSTEN, a third-generation California artist and friend of Carmel poet Robinson Jeffers, died Dec. 13. She was 55.

Mrs. Lausten was born in Monterey and was the granddaughter of Pelly Martinez, who was married to early California Bohemian artist Xavier Martinez. Her mother, Micaela Martinez DuCasse, was a liturgical painter and sculptor who made the stations of the cross at Mission San Antonio. She inherited her family's artistic qualities but never pursued art professionally.

Mrs. Lausten worked from 1972 to 1985 as a teller at the Carmel branch of Bank of America and was the receptionist at Carmel Convalescent Hospital from 1986 until her retirement in 1997. She volunteered as a docent at the National Steinbeck Center in Salinas and helped raise funds for the Alzheimer's Association.

She is survived by her husband, Norman of Pebble Beach; father Ralph DuCasse of San Francisco; her sister, Monique Tomasovich of Jamestown; sons Kenneth McCreary of Suisun City and Bruce McCreary of Oakland and a granddaughter.

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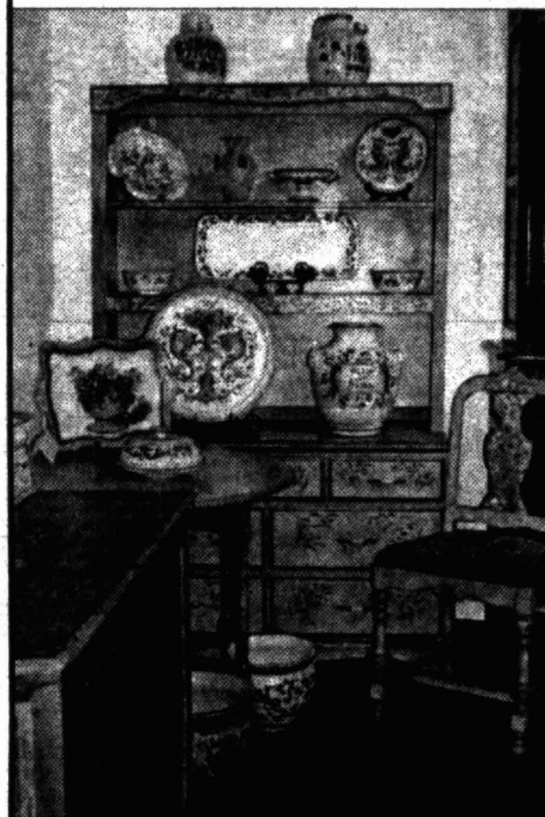
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In a written decision issued Monday, Judge James Ware said the key to his rejection of zum Brunnen's damage claim was the verdict reached by a jury last September after a five-day trial filled with allegations of zum Brunnen's mistreatment and humiliation when she visited Mission Ranch.

During the trial, "the jury listened to Plaintiff's testimony and arguments," Judge Ware said. But the jurors didn't believe zum Brunnen's story of not being able to enter the Mission Ranch office, being denied a handicapped-accessi-

ble room for the night or of having to flee in distress after failing to locate the ranch's disabled-accessible restrooms.

One juror said after the verdict that zum Brunnen and her husband, Michael, visited the ranch solely to take a photograph to support their planned lawsuit. The jurors found that zum Brunnen had suffered no discrimination at Mission Ranch because she never got out of her car; they declined to award her the big-money damages she sought.

'Even if somebody is a 'tester,' there still needs to be a denial of the protected interest or right.'

— **Chuck Keller,**
attorney for Eastwood

"Because the jury did not accept Plaintiff's argument ... the Court cannot confer minimum statutory damages," the judge said this week.

Zum Brunnen's lead attorney, Paul Rein, tried to turn the jury's disbelief into an advantage — arguing that zum Brunnen should be treated as a "tester" of disability access violations who deserved a damage award even if she personally never intended to use any of the Mission Ranch's facilities.

"In effect, Plaintiff claims that the mere statutory violations warrant minimum statutory damages,"

the judge said — a claim that, if successful, could invite damage awards for disabled person who knew about access violations at businesses they had never even visited.

"The Court rejects Plaintiff's broad interpretation," Judge Ware said. "The motion is denied."

"Even if somebody is a 'tester,' there still needs to be a denial of the protected interest or right," Keller said in summariz-

ing the judge's decision. He said the verdict might have been different if the jury had believed any of zum Brunnen's detailed claims:

■ That she attempted to enter the Mission Ranch office

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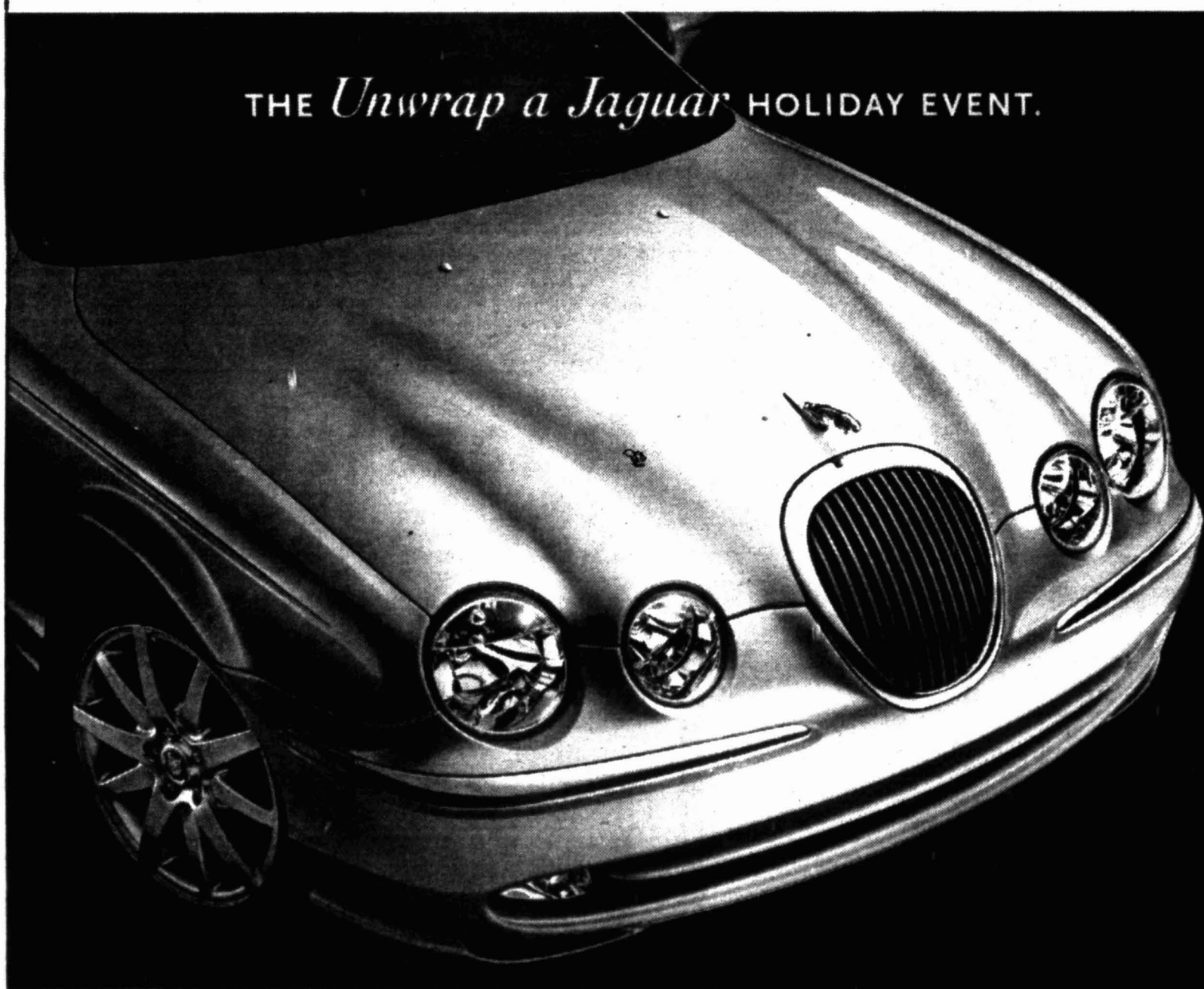
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GAS LEAK

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Last fall, a backhoe driver ruptured a similar gas main in front of RLS Lower School.

Not an exact science

City officials have learned that gas ruptures are sometimes unavoidable since the system construction crews use to avoid the mains is not an exact science.

Construction crews that dig in city streets rely on marks painted by Underground Service Alert, a company that locates and maps underground utility lines.

"They mark out lines in the street, and it's a variable of two feet in either direction of the paint in the roadway," Meroney said. "So there's a four-foot-wide area of where a pipe may be."

Meroney explained that in the contractor's effort to excavate down to put in the new communication line, they most likely hit the pipe at the outer edge of the four foot area.

"We're only as good as what equipment we have," Meroney said. "There is no record of everything in the ground. There isn't a map they can go to."

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I'm not a part of. We were just speaking from our hearts."

"I'm not involved in the lawsuit," Coleman said. And as far as Friends of Carmel Cultural Heritage is concerned, Coleman said, "I don't even know what that is."

Two years ago a resident of Santa Clara county named Joel Gambord backed the FCCH lawsuit against Carmel. Gambord was upset over plans for a new house next door to his San Antonio Avenue vacation home. Sales is the only person to publicly claim responsibility for the lawsuit, although she says, without identifying any by name, there are many more.

"There are about 40 people supporting the lawsuit and 200 or more members of the Carmel Preservation Foundation," she said.

Several who spoke before the coastal commission last week praised Sales for her dedication to preservation.

"I'm a great admirer of Enid's outspokenness on this subject," Coleman said. "While everyone else is running for cover, Enid speaks right out."

"The credit for this victory ultimately must go to Enid," Livingston said. "She has spearheaded the preservation movement in our village. She's a tremendous force in the village and highly respected."

The big picture

As members of the planning commission, both Paterson and Coleman voted last year to allow Bill and Mary Lou Shellooe to replace Sea Urchin and Periwinkle with a new home for their retirement.

"We couldn't exactly say, 'Don't tear down the Shellooes' house,' because we voted for it," Paterson said. "But both of us feel that due process is not being taken to consider all of these [demolitions] in the big picture."

When asked if he's changed his mind about the demolitions of the two cottages, Paterson said, "Not really."

"I am not particularly an ally of the group up there, but my sympathy goes with them," he said.

He explained that as a planning commissioner, he sometimes faced "limited choices in what was presented to us."

"You make a one-at-a-time decision rather than a group decision of how several of these [demolitions] affect the neighborhood," he said. "As a planning commissioner, you really couldn't do anything else, according to the rules."

Too late

Billig and others were disappointed that they arrived at the meeting too late to speak against other demolitions that

the commission approved shortly after 9 a.m.

The demolitions of a 900-square-foot home on Monte Verde owned by the Kasey and Monique Dority and two cottages on Santa Fe owned by Richard Oh were unanimously approved, along with seven other projects.

"We were very disappointed," said Anne Bell, a member of the city's historic preservation committee. "We left at 7 a.m. and all those demolitions were approved right off the bat before we got there."

Nine Carmel demolitions were approved with one motion by the coastal commissioners shortly after the meeting began because, as district director Tami Grove explained, all the applicants agreed with the conditions recommended by coastal commission staff and no members of the public had asked to speak against them.

Wrapping up the LCP

The Shellooes' proposal has been one of the most closely watched projects in Carmel and was first approved by the city's planning commission, then overturned by the Carmel City Council. The future of the houses was an issue in the April election, when voters picked a mayor and a councilmember who had publicly backed the owners' plan for a new home. After the election, the new council reversed the earlier denial and granted the demolition.

While urging the coastal commission to prevent the tear-down of Sea Urchin and Periwinkle, Sales and others also asked for a moratorium on demolitions in Carmel until the city completes its local coastal program.

At the coastal commission's Nov. 15 meeting in Los Angeles, Carmel Mayor Sue McCloud promised the commission that the city will finish the first part of its LCP by April. The city was required by state law to complete the plan by 1981, but has left it unfinished for nearly 20 years.

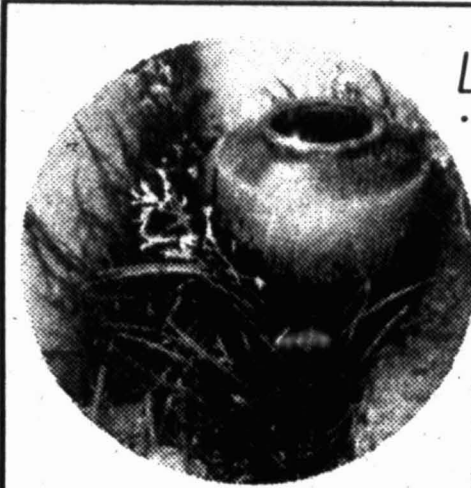
Coastal commissioner

and 5th District Supervisor Dave Potter told McCloud that if Carmel doesn't meet its new target date, the coastal commission will stop issuing permits.

At that same meeting, McCloud also gave the commissioners an update about the number of demolitions approved in Carmel. In the last 10 years, 120 partial or complete demolitions have been approved — 13 of those this year.

During the Dec. 14 hearing, Brandt-Hawley announced that a Monterey County Superior Court judge had issued a temporary stay of the demolition of Sea Urchin and Periwinkle.

But Sales said the lawsuit will likely be dropped because of the coastal commission's decision.



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LAWSUIT

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in her wheelchair but could not do so. Eastwood confirmed the office had no wheelchair ramp in 1997.

■ That she was rebuffed when she and her husband tried to rent a handicapped-accessible room for the night. The law required two such rooms at the 31-unit Mission Ranch but it only had one in 1997, Eastwood said during the trial.

■ That after having dinner and a glass of wine in the Mission Ranch restaurant she was unable to locate the handicapped-accessible restrooms and, in distress, had to flee in search of a gas station. Eastwood agreed that, at the time, signs directing wheelchair users to the appropriate restrooms weren't what they should have been.

"Despite acknowledging the deficiencies of the facilities at Mission Ranch, the jury found that Plaintiff had not been denied access as a result of the inadequacies," the judge said.

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Editorial

The water board's shenanigans

WATER BOARD members Ron Chesshire, Alvin Edwards and Dave Pendergrass were ridiculed for staging a walkout from last week's meeting of the MPWMD.

The mockery was misplaced because they walked out for a perfectly valid reason. With Dave Potter absent, the agenda for the meeting had been neatly orchestrated to promote the interests of the board's anti-water contingent. Such a baldly political maneuver warranted a political response, which Chesshire, Edwards and Pendergrass provided by leaving the room. Without a quorum, board chair Molly Erickson had to adjourn the meeting until January when, presumably, the entire membership will be able to attend and give due consideration to the board's very important business.

Parliamentary maneuvers are used all the time in American politics, and there's no reason to be shocked when they are invoked at a meeting of the local water board where the stakes are high and so are the passions.

Even more important is the fact that the mockery came from the same people who say nothing, month after month, while the board ignores its basic mission: to provide the community with a reliable water supply. That was the water board's basic purpose when it was created after a catastrophic drought in the mid-1970s. In the 25 years since, our water supply has actually been reduced, leaving every resident of the Monterey Peninsula more vulnerable to a water shortage — a real one — than ever before.

The inevitability of another drought is apparently unknown to some newcomers to the Peninsula and is blithely ignored by certain water board members who, instead, spend most of their time trying to supersede the land-use authority of the board of supervisors and city councils.

Meanwhile, the suffering of a small group of property owners and business people who need a bit of new water — to expand a restaurant, add a bathroom or build a home on a lot-of-record — is contemptuously neglected.

There are outlandish things happening at the water board. What Chesshire, Edwards and Pendergrass did last week wasn't one of them.

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Why the delay?

Dear Editor,

The Pine Cone Dec. 15 article titled "Does Carmel exhibit an art gallery glut?" needs comment.

The previous council recognized the gallery glut and on Oct. 6, 1998, voted 5-0 to send to the planning commission a request to hold public hearings and recommend to council on the question of a numerical limit on art galleries including the sale of art as an ancillary use to other businesses.

This should have been completed months

ago — why the delay?

Residents should know that our general plan calls for a balanced and mixed use of businesses in our commercial district to keep it economically healthy.

To allow continued growth of one category (example: art galleries) means the loss of other types of stores that offer a unique shopping opportunity for residents and visitors.

Secondly, as more art galleries begin to sell their works of art on their websites on the Internet, we should all understand that we collect no sales tax on those sales.

Consequently, the residents do not benefit from money lost on sales tax that could be used to improve our commercial and residential districts.

I'm a supporter of quality art galleries, but enough is enough.

Why are we talking about sending the issue to planning again? It's already there.

Ken White
Carmel

Freedom of choice

Dear Editor,

My wife and I have been picking up mail at the Carmel post office for many years and we intend to continue to do so even if (or when) mail delivery becomes a reality — so you may wonder why I still strongly encour-

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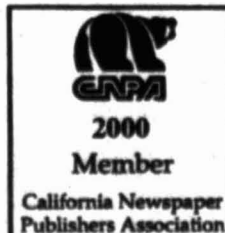
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1. I hate to see public officials on the wrong side of an issue. It doesn't make sense for a city council to fight against the rights of its residents, especially not those who are less mobile than you or I might be. Those who have a hard time to make it to the post office may not be the majority in this village, but does that mean we should fight the U.S. Postal Service from making it more convenient for them to get their mail?

2. Secondly, I don't think mail delivery will harm the character of this village. If we are worried that the beginning of mail delivery marks the end of our community as we know it, then we are in bad shape indeed. Our community may need strengthening but we are not going to save it by keeping mail delivery out. Let those who want to congregate at the post office continue to do so (we will be there, too), but let's show community spirit by tolerating a diversity of views on this and by not dictating our view on all citizens, especially when it is a free service.

3. Thirdly, I don't think mailboxes have to cause a great deal of "visual pollution." Carmel has a history of coming up with creative solutions to such issues (e.g., newspaper racks, street signs) and I am sure you could come up with a good policy of a Carmel-worthy mailbox design.

4. My fourth concern has to do with traffic and pollution. The majority of our box holders pick up their mail by car and do not walk to the Post Office. It only takes a couple of U.S. Mail trucks to deliver mail to all residents who want it in the village. This would reduce traffic by as many as 300-500 car trips a day through the busiest part of our downtown area. Imagine any other issue before the city council that would allow the council to help reduce traffic congestion and pollution in the heart of the village by that much with hardly any cost to the city. How could one turn it down?

5. And, finally, there are those safety concerns that have to do with not having

street addresses. It doesn't just make the job of the police and fire department and ambulance drivers harder. It makes deliveries by other services unreliable. FedEx and UPS have a hard time delivering to my house for no other reason than that I can't put a number on it.

I hope that the council can see the overwhelmingly positive results of giving residents a choice whether they would like to have their mail delivered or whether they would like to pick it up at the post office. I also hope that we don't feel compelled to kill the messenger for the flaws we find in the approach used by the messenger who first brought it to the attention of the city.

This is one of those rare issues where it is relatively easy and cheap to accommodate all points of view. I would like for all of us to be able to be proud about the manner in which our city resolves this legitimate community concern. I hate for Carmel to become a national laughing-stock or, worse yet, an embarrassment in how we treat the disabled in our community.

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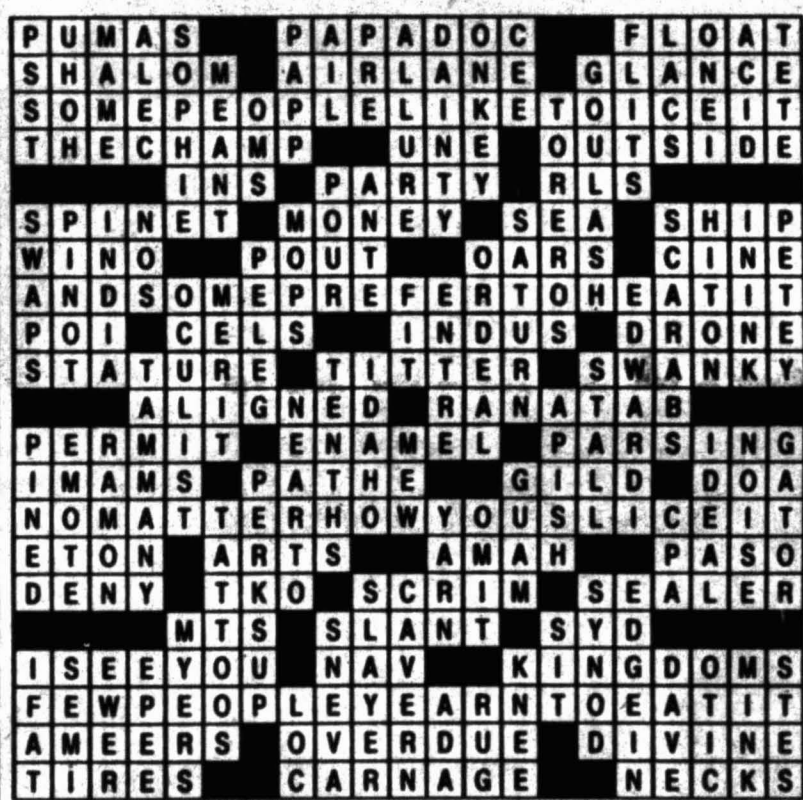
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Answer to This Week's Puzzle



Keeping in Touch

By SUE McCLOUD
Mayor, Carmel-by-the-Sea

Send your Carmel wish list

WITH THE holidays upon us, I am happy to report that the many volunteers serving on our commissions, committees and boards have worked hard to prepare their three-year work programs.

City staff, headed by our new administrator Rich Guillen, is about to start preparing our 2001-2002 budget. They will also be looking ahead two additional years, which will facilitate longer-term planning, particularly as we attempt to project costs for some of our long-delayed capital projects — ranging from upgrading the firehouse to the undergrounding of utilities.

As you make up your Christmas wish list, Council and I would welcome your "wishes" on what you see as the three major issues that we should deal with and for which we will need to budget. (Please do not include mail delivery as one of your three

major issues, since it was the subject of an earlier survey.)

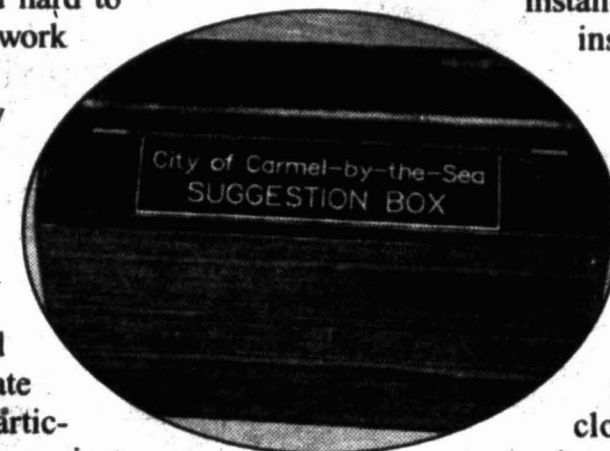
To save you postage, we have now installed a "Suggestion Box" inside the Fifth Avenue

Post Office near the agenda boxes. I would welcome any comments you wish to make about your three major concerns via the suggestion box — or you can send me an e-mail at cloud93921@aol.com or write me at P.O. Box CC.

Please include your name and physical address in Carmel-by-the-Sea.

I value your input.

As our village sparkles in the winter sunshine, I wish you Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year! And don't forget that the Jan. 9 City Council meeting will be televised and be rebroadcast on KMST, Jan. 14 at 8 a.m.



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(OPEN HOUSE with photos from 5:30 - 8:30pm)

Saturday, Dec. 2nd (Photos 1 - 3, With Mrs. Claus 12 - 4) Noon to 6 pm

Sunday, Dec. 3rd Noon to 5 pm

Thursday, Dec. 7th 6 pm to 8 pm

"Critters & Claus" Photos with Your Pets

Saturday, Dec. 9th (With Mrs. Claus 12 - 4) Noon to 6 pm

Sunday, Dec. 10th Noon to 5 pm

Saturday, Dec. 16th (Photos 1 - 3, With Mrs. Claus 12 - 4) Noon to 6 pm

Sunday, Dec. 17th Noon to 5 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 20th (Photos 1 - 3, With Mrs. Claus 12 - 4) Noon to 6 pm

Thursday, Dec. 21st Noon to 6 pm

Friday, Dec. 22nd Noon to 6 pm

Saturday, Dec. 23rd (With Mrs. Claus 12 - 4) Noon to 6 pm

Sunday, Dec. 24th Noon to 4 pm

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Thursday, January 4th - 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM or

Friday, January 5th - 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

(Or until all positions are filled, whichever comes first)

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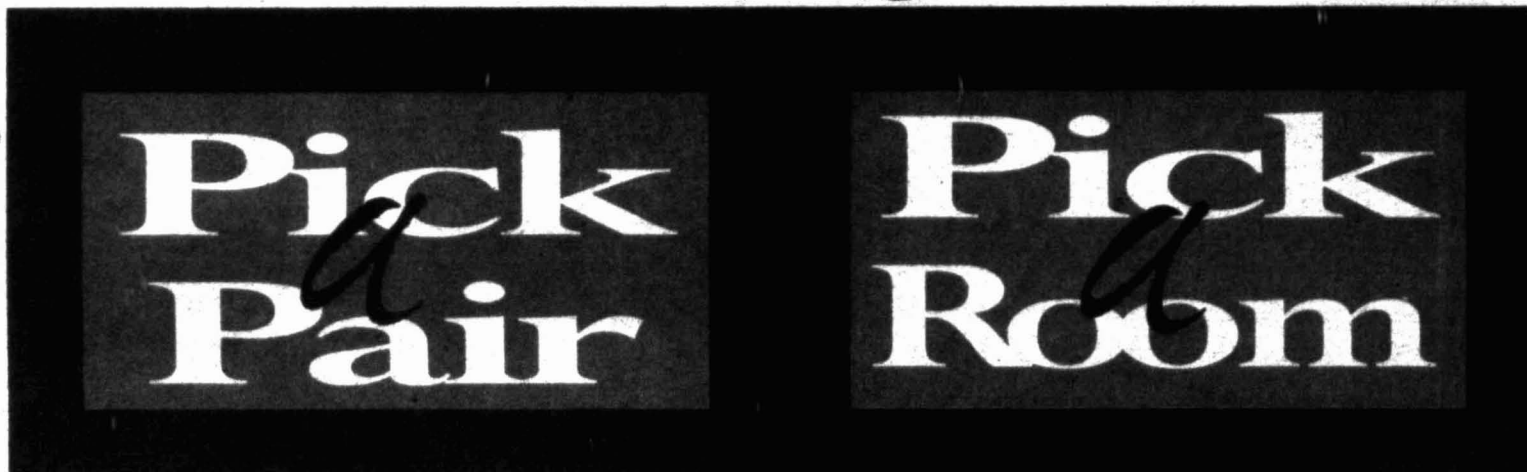
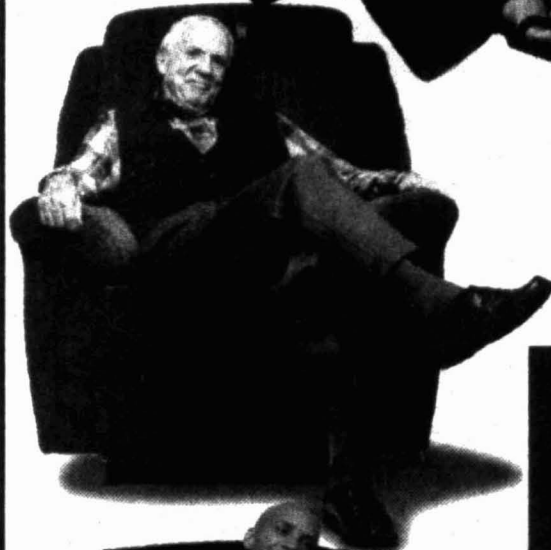
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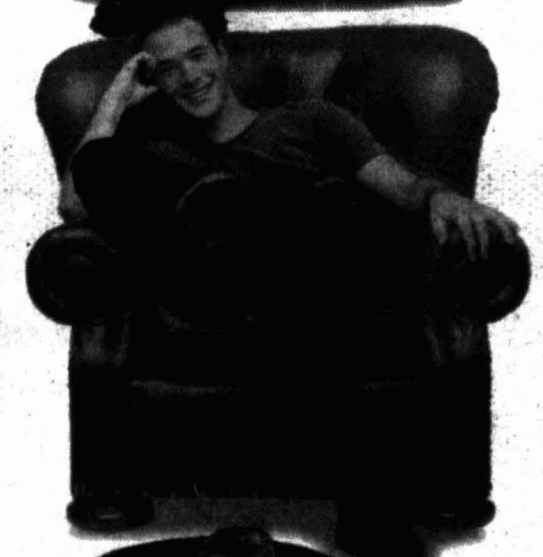
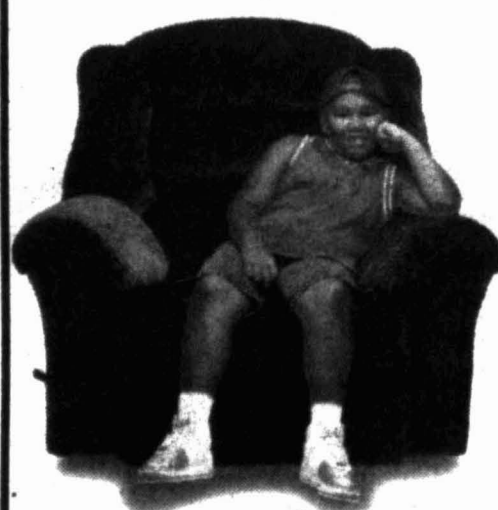
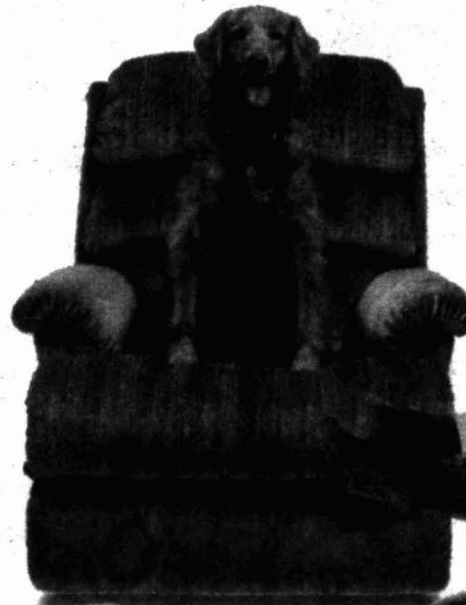


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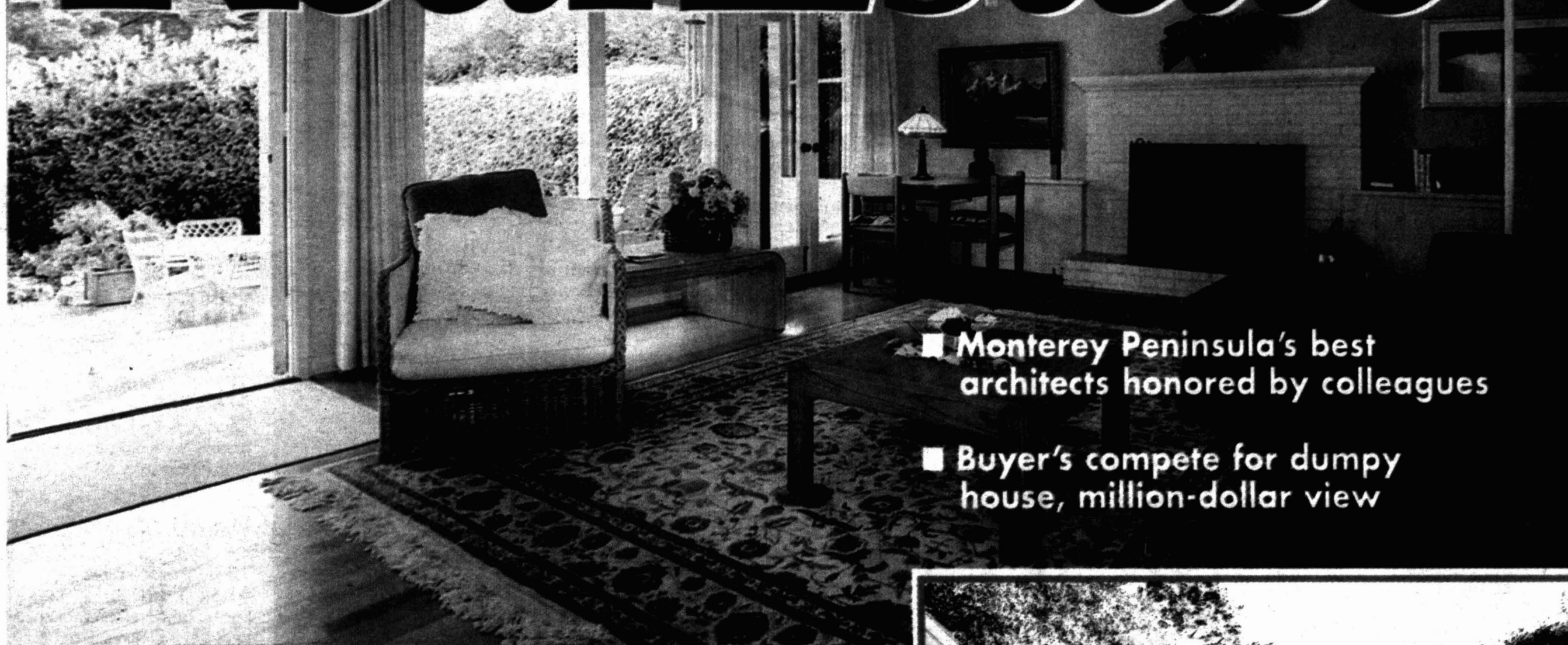
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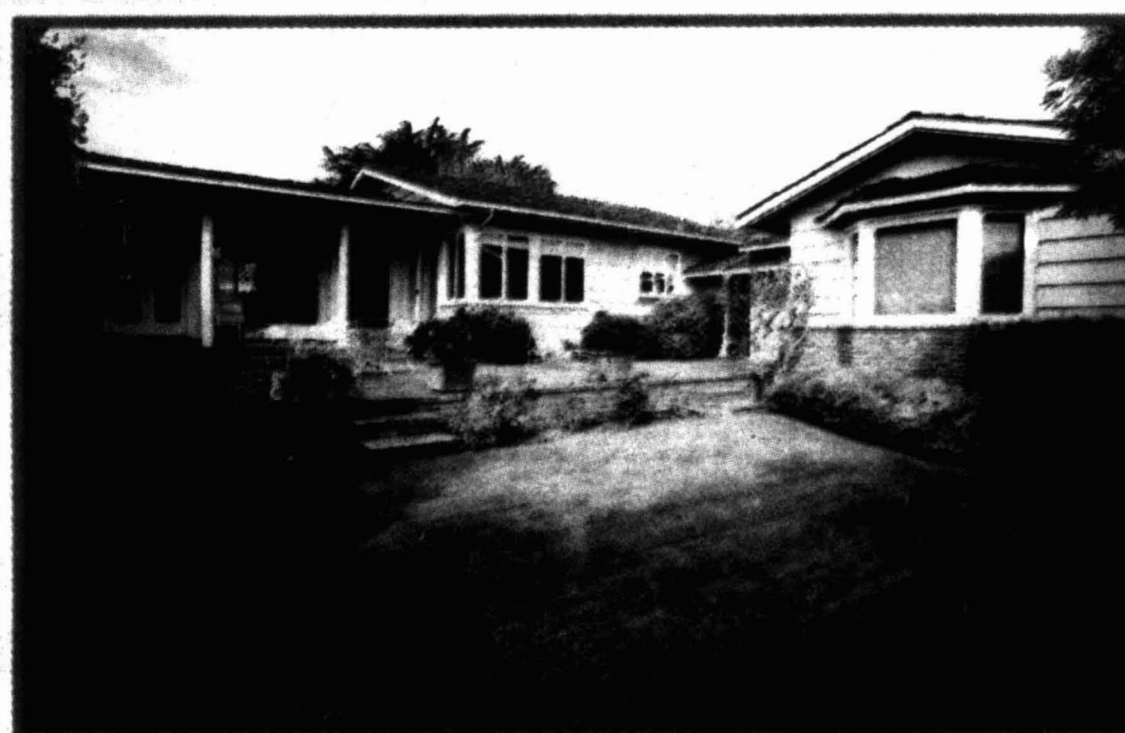
Yes, there are Open Houses this weekend!

The Carmel Pine Cone

Real Estate

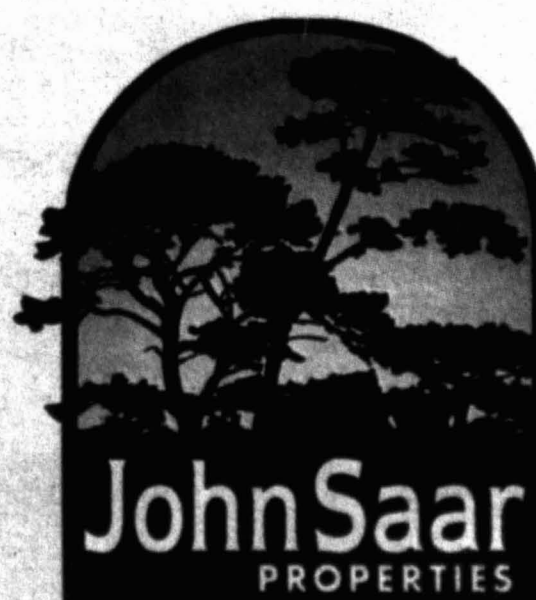


- Monterey Peninsula's best architects honored by colleagues
- Buyer's compete for dumpy house, million-dollar view



Guest House

■ This week's cover home presented by John Saar Properties (see page 2)



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The Carmel Pine Cone

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December 22, 2000



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REAL ESTATE

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William B Burleigh to Bruce C & Christine Herrmann

24675 Dolores St \$527,500

To Jeffrey T Britton

First St, 2nd NE of Los Lobos \$840,000

Steven A & Shelley D Nemeth to Michael G & Marsha L Klassen

Guadalupe 4 SW of 3rd Ave \$715,000

Angeline L Hocker to David V & Judy G Knight Refuerzo

Lincoln, 2 SE of 2nd Ave \$574,500

Paul C Eid to Carl & Jan Cox

NW Corner Dolores St & 10th Av \$975,000

Jay Cooke Michael Allen to Alec & Sue Johnston Kercso

5860 Junipero Av \$625,000

Beatrice Azhderian to Mark & Cynthia Hamilton Duchesne

CARMEL - SOUTH COAST

None

CARMEL VALLEY

7008 Valley Greens

Circle \$1,450,000

Stephen A & Bridget K Wille

to Astrid Leftwich Coleman

Rancho San Carlos Rd

\$1,100,000

To Francis W & Laine Chen

76 Del Mesa Carmel

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June Wooliver Wortman to

Noelle J Steinbroner

218 Del Mesa Carmel

\$651,000

Robert Ernest Grabow to

Jack L & Chonita Gibbs La

Larsen

9150 Carmel Valley Rd

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"Carmel Legends"

The quick way to get a new house organized and decorated almost immediately, if you're lucky enough to live on the Monterey Peninsula is to invite your five hundred closest friends over to your new house for a dinner party, and set the date for about two days after the close of escrow. The first day you paint — or get painted — the entire interior of the house in what might be called Henry Ford White, which means you can have any color as long as it's white, too. White is a decorator's best friend because you don't have to match anything; the sky's the limit with white, and you're saving money.

If you don't trust a new painter to give you the two full coats of white paint in every room, simply climb on a stepladder and mark an "X" in the highest corner of each room's wall, nearest the ceiling right after the first coat is done (show up that night sneaky-like and bring a pencil and a stepladder and mark it up.) Then, after the painter tells you he painted every room with two coats of white, check be sure all the "X"s are gone. Make sure the "X" is very, very tiny!

Ok, now you've one day left, the X's are all gone, and you're ready to decorate. You've 24 hours to decorate the entire house. How? Unless you have a dirty mind and want to install a ceiling mirror in a bedroom, your ceilings need nothing. That leaves four walls and the floor. If you have bought a house wall-to-wall carpet in at least some of the rooms, that much is done. If not, you go to one of those rug bazaars or check the Herald for garage sales, and with cash in hand, race around to get seconds in rugs that will introduce color to the rooms without carpeting. Used rugs can look like they are old family heirlooms if you pick colors carefully. Don't embarrass your family tree by picking ridiculous colors. Tone down, not up. Yes, I know, you've got all those white walls, but even a pillow with wonderful colors can make a room look decorated.

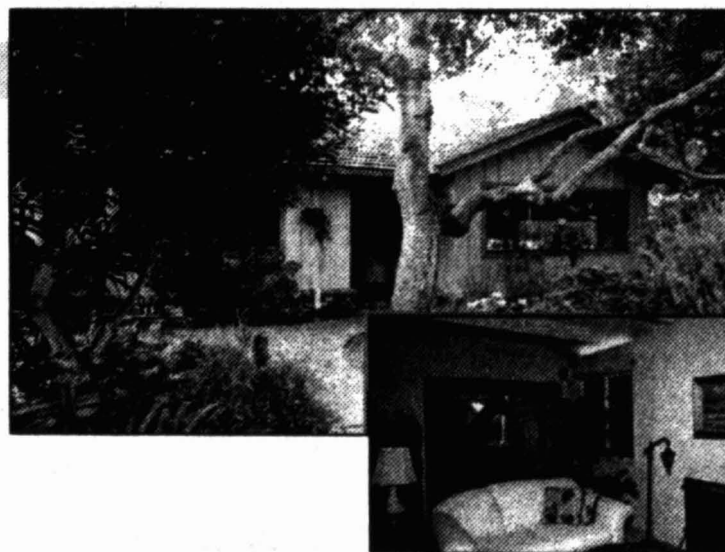
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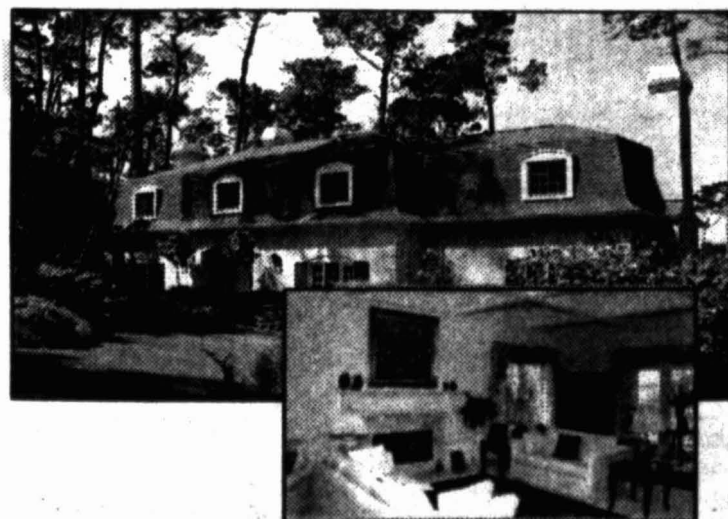
CARMEL'S MOST COVETED neighborhood, close to the beach and the village shops is this move-in condition single-level "south of Ocean Avenue" residence. This 3-bedroom, 2-bath remodeled home sits on an oversized 5300 sq ft corner lot and features a large living room, wonderful kitchen, cozy family room/sun room, double-pane windows and a cobble-stone driveway. The home is surrounded by beautiful landscaping, overlooks a private patio and is full of light. \$1,295,000.

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CARMEL HIGHLANDS - BEACH HOUSE

KICK OFF YOUR SHOES and walk barefoot along the secluded beach in front of the 4 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath beach house in Carmel Highlands. On a flower strewn meadow overlooking the Pacific Ocean almost every room in the spacious home has a panoramic view of the sunsets. Don't miss this opportunity to relax in your own back yard! \$5,295,000.

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CARMEL — Minutes to Carmel, this impeccable 1.5 acre Mediterranean Estate offers spectacular ocean and Point Lobos views with a swimming pool, tennis court, guest house, greenhouse, and two garages with five car capacity. The main house includes three bedroom suites, three stone fireplaces, separate dining and living areas, gourmet kitchen, library, soaring ceilings and an extensive ocean view patio and crows nest balcony.

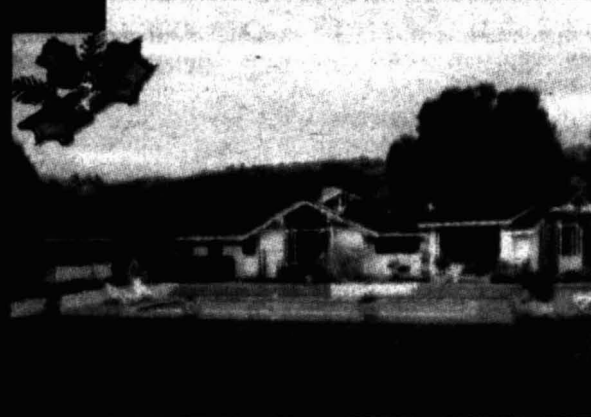
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CARMEL — This adorable two bedroom, two bath cottage, on a corner lot in a quiet location, might just be the best buy in Carmel right now! Living room with open beam ceiling and Carmel stone fireplace, den/library with fireplace, four skylights, eat-in kitchen, basement with lots of storage, and one-car garage. Three separate garden/patio areas. Move right in!

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CARMEL VALLEY — Secluded four bedroom, two and one half bath home on 6.4 beautifully landscaped acres. Heated swimming pool, Jacuzzi, large rolling lawn, and a gazebo with full outdoor entertaining facilities. A picturesque garden path leads to a stand-alone guest house, which offers a living room, full kitchen, a separate bedroom, two and one half baths, and a one-car garage.

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659-2267

MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY — Beautiful four bedroom, three bath home on an exquisitely landscaped one and one half acre parcel on Paseo Hermoso/San Benancio. The home offers a living room with fireplace, kitchen with top-of-the-line appliances, family room with fireplace, sun room, formal dining room, hardwood floors, skylights and french doors throughout. Two-car garage and storage galore. A must see!

\$798,500

659-2267



CARMEL — This Carmel classic was built in the late 20's by M.J. Murphy and lovingly restored by the current owners. There are handhewn beams, soaring ceilings, original hardware, hardwood floors, Carmel stone fireplaces...if there were a museum in which to display the quintessential Carmel home, this would be the master piece in it. A must see!

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Carmel Valley: Charming Post Adobe home. 2 BR/ 1.5 BA with den. Sunny organic garden. Washer/dryer included. No pets. \$1700 +.

Carmel Valley: Detached studio apartment. New paint and refrigerator. Wood burning stove. Off street parking. Utilities paid. Cat ok. \$900.

Carmel Valley: 2 master suites and guest quarters, 4.5 BA home. 3 fireplaces. Pool. 2 car garage with storage. Room for horses. Gardener included. Pets negotiable. \$3500. Guest house available for an additional \$600 per month.

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Monterey Bay Chapter, AIA, honors 11 firms; Carmel's John Thodos wins highest Honor Award — twice

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

THE VIEW at 4 p.m. from Tehama Golf Clubhouse was nothing short of spectacular. From the hills above Carmel Valley the vista goes on forever, embracing the whole of Monterey Bay and surrounding woodlands.

It was for the enjoyment of this view that the American Institute of Architects, Monterey Bay Chapter, convened its 2000 design awards dinner program in the late afternoon Dec. 17. And also so that the Tehama clubhouse — which turned out to be an award winner — could be seen in daylight by AIA members and their guests.

Eleven awards for excellence in design — classified as Citations, Awards of Merit and Honor Awards — were presented for three types of project entries: unbuilt, non-residential, and residential.

Of the eleven awards, four went to Carmel architectural firms. Other winners were from Monterey, Pacific Grove, Salinas and Los Angeles.

Carmel's John Thodos, AIA, received two Honor Awards — the highest award given by the American Institute of Architects — for a Carmel Highlands residence built for an art collector, and for an unbuilt Greek Orthodox Church designed for a local congregation. Honor Awards are given to projects of distinction worthy of notice and emulation by other architects.

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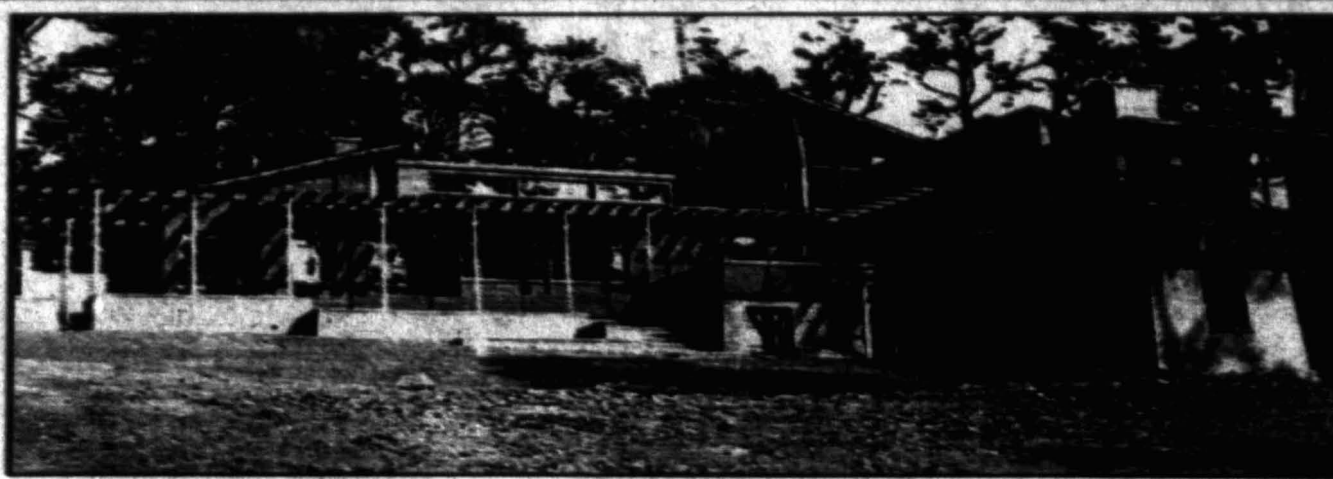
Jerrold E. Lomax, FAIA, of Carmel Valley, was presented with a Citation Award for a single family dwelling with an adjacent guest house. Citations are given to projects whose particular design characteristics are noteworthy, such as site placement, materials, technology, economy and interiors.

And the Carmel Development Company was the recipient of a Merit Award for Tehama Golf Clubhouse designed by Michael Waxer, AIA, outgoing president of AIAMB, in collaboration with Alan Williams, president of CDC. Awards of Merit are given to projects of overall distinction demonstrating the architect's design abilities.

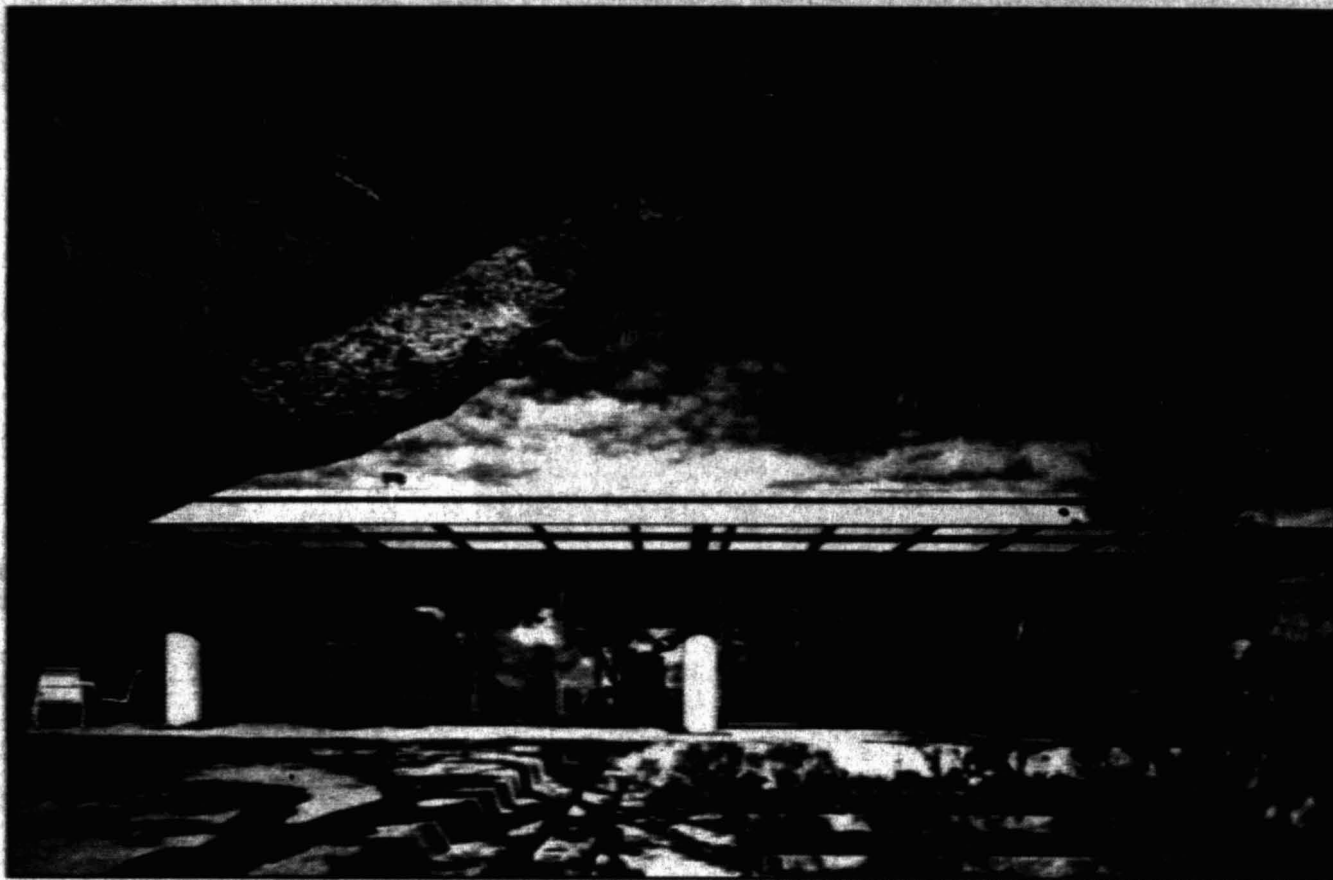
Twenty-three projects were submitted from members of the Monterey Bay chapter, which encompasses three counties. The jury, which selected eleven winners, was made up of two distinguished architects and a world-famous artist. One of the jurors, Ken Rodriguez, is a past president of the California Council of American Institute of Architects and is an architect in the San Francisco area.

Another, David Meckel, was the found-

See AWARDS page 7B



"Treehouse," a residence designed by Polly Osborne, AIA, of Osborne Architects, Los Angeles, is located at Macomber Estates, Pebble Beach. Osborne received a Merit Award for this "green design" which incorporates recycled wood in many of its aspects. The three-bedroom, three-bath house, with an attached one bedroom, one bath caretaker's unit, uses recycled, resawn redwood siding and floors of recycled Jarrah wood. The roof is "Eco-shake," a 100% recycled product. Timbers used in the house and outside are incense cedar from forest floor pick-up, or reject tokonoma poles from a Japanese teahouse builder. Passive solar concrete floors and plaster walls were used as mass to augment the radiant floor system. Trusjoist I/L beams make up the majority of the big timber structure. The outrigger and trellis wood is recycled wood from a warehouse in Fort Bragg.



A semi-private compound of enclosed, controlled landscaping surrounded by a natural wooded environment is the concept of this single family dwelling with adjacent guesthouse in Carmel Valley designed by Jerrold E. Lomax, FAIA. Lomax won a Citation Award for the 2,459-sq.-ft. main house and 720-sq.-ft. guesthouse. The main house of three bedrooms and baths borders the compound with a raised guesthouse beyond the lawn area, tenaced vegetable gardens and stepped concrete walls. The interior ambience has a "loft feeling" of space. Ceilings are 10 ft. high, and glass 8 ft. high. Open interior spaces take advantage of the sweeping vistas. An existing 100-year-old oak tree soars through the deck and entry areas.

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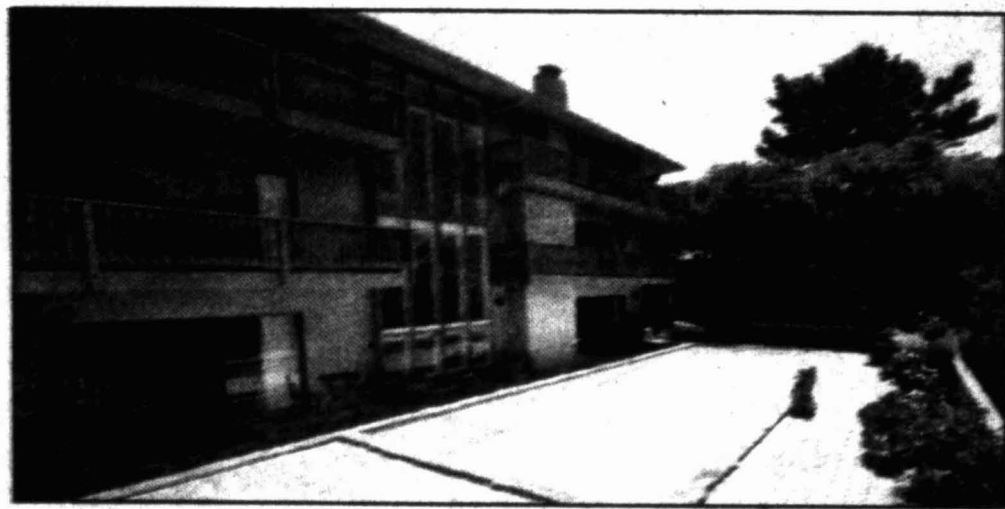
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WHAT AM I BID ON THIS MILLION DOLLAR VIEW?

By PAUL BROCCINI

ON A WARM, shirtsleeve Tuesday afternoon in December, we gathered at a wreck of a house fronting the sea. The smell of mold permeated the structure. Only the dimmest light made it into the dwelling through the filthy windows. Yellow construction tape with large, black "caution" warnings closed off holes that offered immediate vertical trips to the lower level. The interior ambience contrasted sharply with the pristine freshness outside.

It was a beautiful afternoon. Monterey Bay was showing off her best togs with clear views to Moss Landing and Santa Cruz. Terns, pelicans, cormorants and other sea birds were gaily diving for their catch into the bluest of waters. The air was soft and warm, unusual any time of the year on the Monterey Peninsula.

There were 18 of us assembled in the gloom of the house: seven real estate agents, two bankruptcy trustees, four potential buyers and five friends or family members of the buyers. I knew all of the agents, was accompanying one of the buyers and his son and introduced myself to one other person, not knowing at the time that she was a competitor.

We were there for an auction. The house was on the market for \$950,000. The next-door neighbor had submitted a full price offer, which was subject to overbid. Bidding in such instances usually takes place in court. The trustees had gone to the judge in Fresno suggesting that the sellers and creditors would be best served by doing the auction at the house. The judge agreed.

The four buyers established their bonafides by handing over certified checks for \$32,000 made out to a trustee. The checks were noted and returned to the bidders.

The bidding was supposed to start at 3 p.m. A few minutes past the indicated start time one of the trustees took the floor and explained the rules:

"We have a full price offer in hand. The minimum overbid is \$10,000, and we already have one at \$960,000. Today's bidding will be in \$10,000 increments. The lowest acceptable offer at this point, therefore, will be \$970,000. Would anyone like to open the bidding?"

The opening bid

A wave of noise, similar to the din of conversation in an animated restaurant, engulfed the room. The bidders were chatting with their confidants while eyeing the competition. Who would go first? My client, anxious to get the process underway, bid \$970,000. The hubbub died down. Who would go next?

Everyone, I think, was uncomfortable. Bidders did not want to appear too eager. At the same time none wanted the auction to drag on forever. A minute or two passed before someone stepped in with \$980,000. In the beginning my client and the two women did most of the bidding. After the \$980,000 bid, the pace picked up: \$990,000; \$1 million; a million ten; a million twenty. Up the bidding soared.

Somewhere in the low million-dollar range the neighbor's representative chimed in. The bids reached \$1,100,000 rapidly. By then the room had become quiet. Pauses between bidding var-

ied: some long with interjections from the trustees asking if anyone wanted to continue; others brief. As the auction continued, the tension began to build.

One of the onlookers blurted out: "In Fresno you could buy a whole block for this!" That remark cracked up the room, draining the tension out of the bidding struggle. After the laughter subsided, the auction moved on. My client dropped out at the \$1.2 million mark. One of the women fell to the wayside shortly thereafter.

There were two bidders left, the neighbor's representative and the remaining woman. The pace slowed. There were several "going once, going twice" moves by the trustee before the other bidder increased the ante another \$10,000.

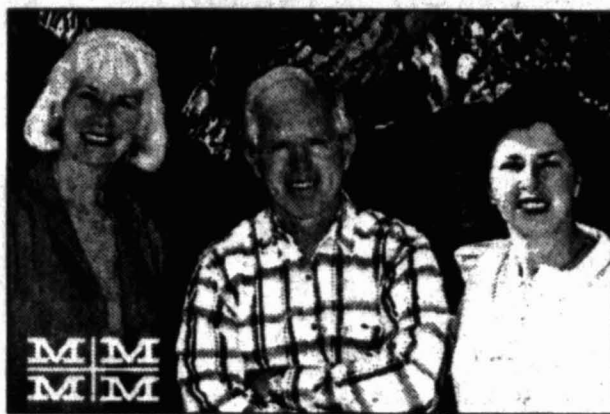
At the woman's \$1,290,000 bid, I felt she had reached her top. Her bid sounded weak. Her voice had become less audible, and she appeared to be struggling with the decision making process going on in her head. It seemed to me that the neighbor had instructed his agent to bid whatever it might take. I felt sure that with another bid or two, the property would be his.

I looked out the window to a sepia version of the gorgeous scene through the dirty

windows. I was living in two worlds at once.

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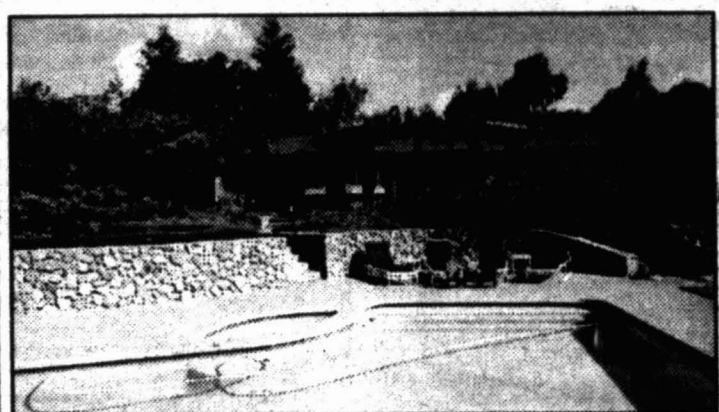
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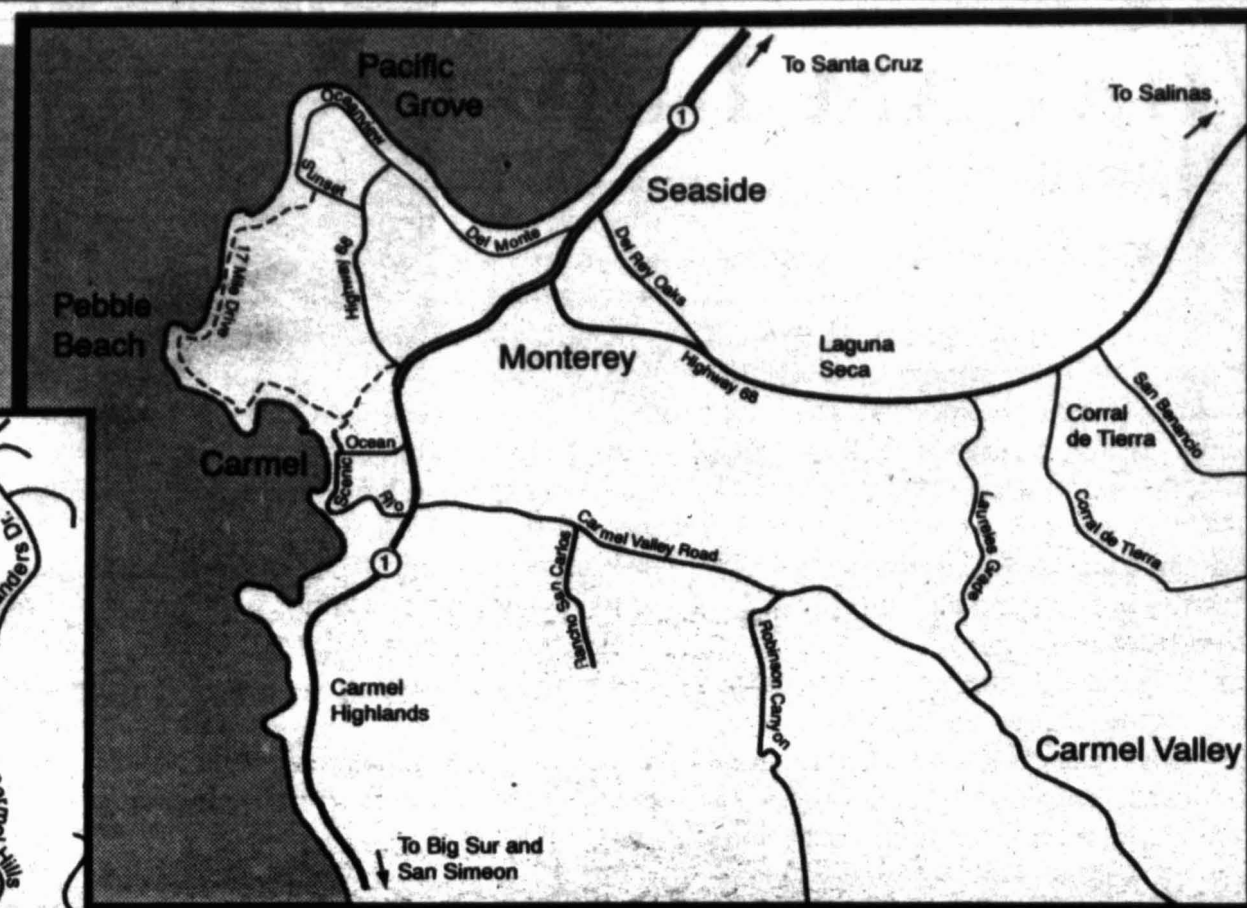
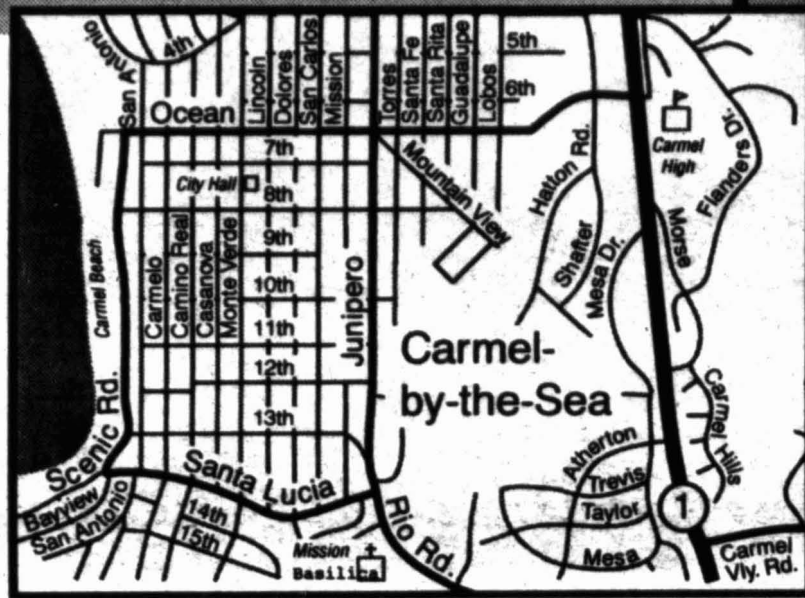
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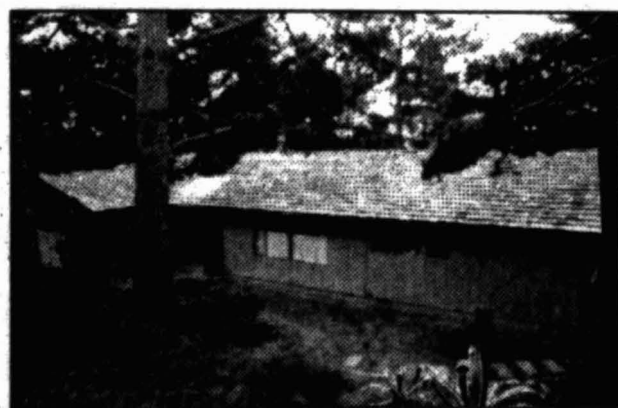
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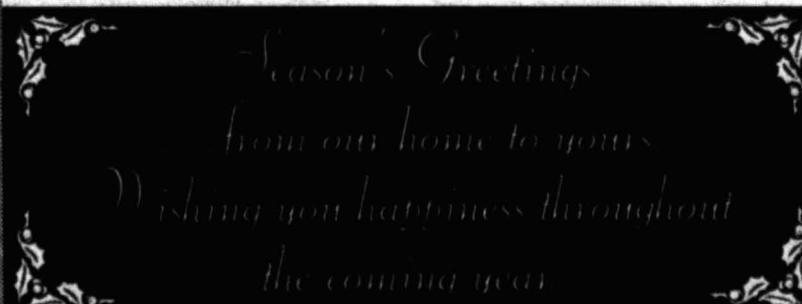
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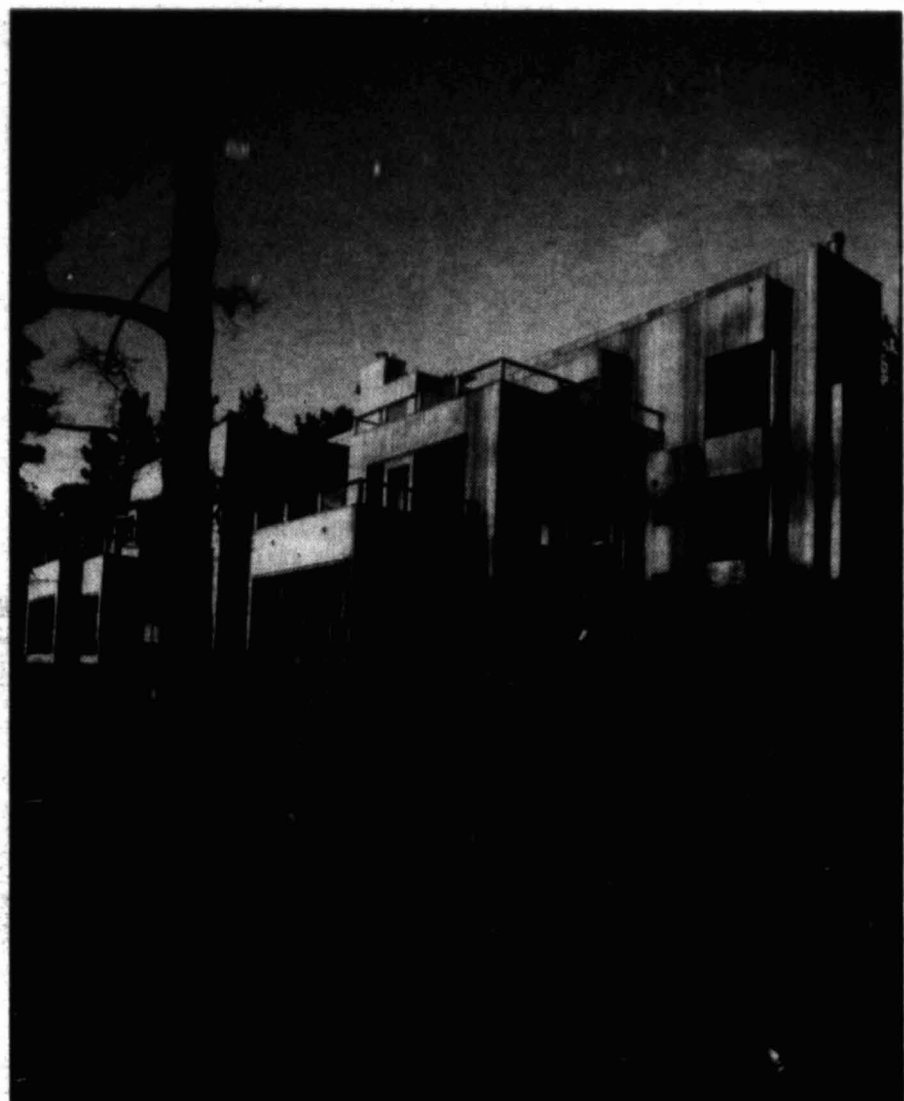


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This Carmel Highlands modernist residence, designed by John Thodos, AIA, Carmel, was designed as much for the exhibition of artwork as to live in. The simple device of a long, double-height gallery with offset pavilions "gave great flexibility for art to be displayed throughout the house," according to an AIA jury that presented Thodos with an Honors Award given for "exceptional design of projects of unique character, worthy of other architects' investigation and emulation." The jury noted that "the pavilions modulate light into the gallery, adding great interest and character, and add small-scale forms to contrast the mass of the linear gallery."

AWARDS

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California College of Arts and Crafts in San Francisco and co-founder of the interior architecture program at Otis/Parsons. The third juror was David Ligare, whose works are in the permanent collections at the Museum of Modern Art in New York, The DeYoung Museum, San Francisco and The Uffizi in Florence.

Other chapter winners include:

■ David Martin, AIA, Pacific Grove, who was given an Honor Award for the Schneider house remodel and rehabilitation;

■ Polly Osborne, AIA, of Osborne Architects, Los Angeles, who received a Merit Award for "Treehouse," a residence at Macomber Estates in Pebble Beach, which is considered outstanding for its "green" design;

■ HGHB, Monterey, which won a Citation Award for the San Luis Obispo Golf and Country Club clubhouse;

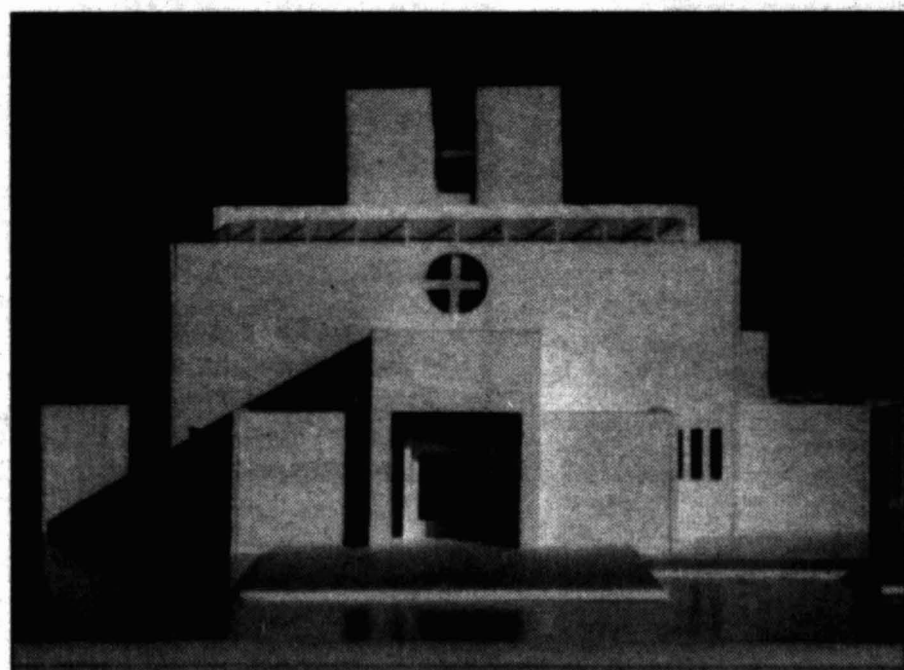
■ HBFL Architects, Monterey, which received an Honor Award for Salinas High School modernization and new construction; and

■ Fletcher & Hardoin Architects, Monterey, which received a Merit Award for the Mayol residence.

Two Salinas firms were also winners: Kasavan Architects was awarded a Merit Award for "The Grain Tower," a project incorporating preservation, restoration and additions to an agricultural tower and warehouse; and Thomas J. Carleton, AIA, for "Plan A Bungalow," a craftsman-style residence in harmony with bungalows built from 1901 - 1930 in Spreckles.

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See AIA page 10B



A Greek Orthodox church, as yet unbuilt, is a modern translation of Byzantine architecture which uses light to create an appropriate sense of mystery and spirituality. Designed by John Thodos, AIA, Carmel, the church design was found by the jury to be a "beautifully simple scheme with wonderful outdoor and indoor spaces." Thodos won an AIA Honor Award for the building. Jurors said the building's top lighted walls "will be elegant and serene," appreciating the strong symbolic forms of the church created by "a blend of solid forms and abstractions of light."

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WHIMISICAL WONDER in

Carmel

Set back from the road on a fenced lot with an expanse of yard in the front, this charming home has been newly remodeled and has two master suites, a beautiful wood-burning fireplace in the living room, and an inviting front porch with filtered views of the mountains and ocean. A long driveway with double car garage provides ample off-street parking, and extra water credits offer the opportunity to expand.

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BRIGHT AND BREEZY in

Carmel

Artfully oriented amidst stone walks and multi-level decks, this 3 bedroom, 3 bath home offers vaulted ceilings, skylights, custom wood windows, French doors, a cozy fireplace and oak floors throughout. Located on a serene residential lane, this light and breezy home is conveniently close to town and beach.

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Carmel

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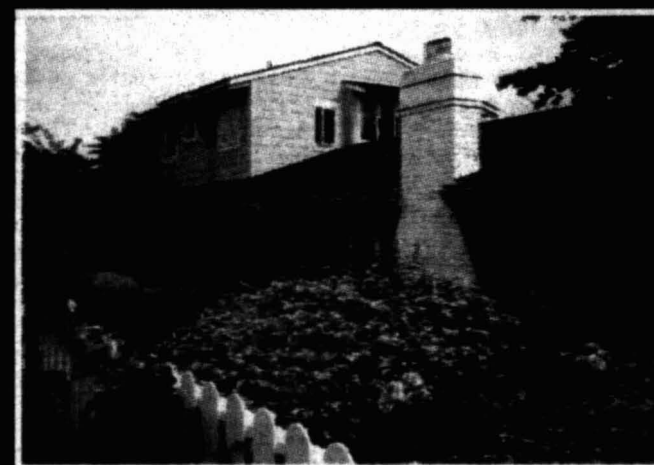


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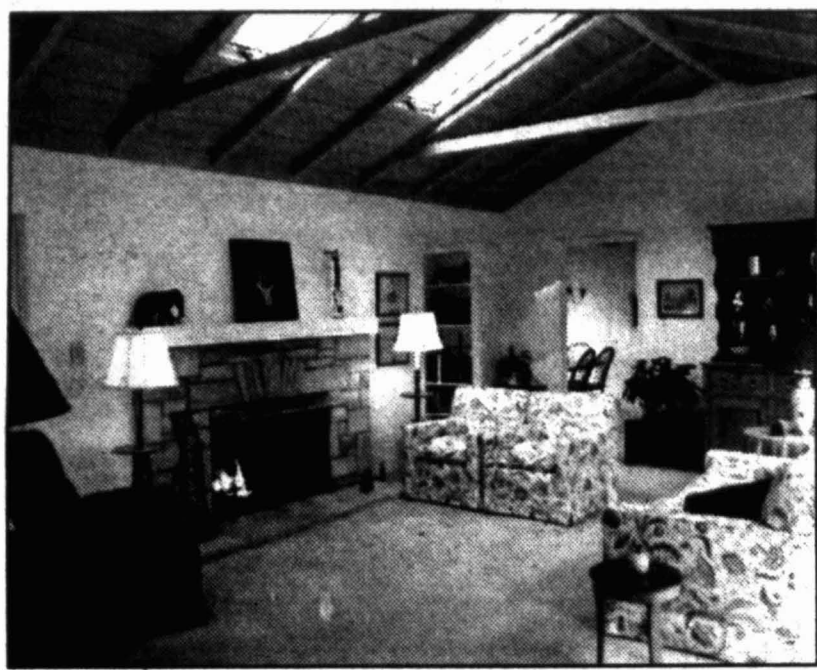
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POLICE LOG

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\$20.79 worth of gas and forgot to pay.

Carmel Valley: Middle Canyon Road resident requested a deputy inform a guest he leave after an hour. The guest was told and agreed to leave after they spoke.

Carmel Valley: Quien Sabe resident having trouble with her ex-boyfriend over some personal items in her house.

Carmel area: An AMR paramedic requested a welfare check on two citizens he had contacted earlier in the day. The subjects were contacted at their Corona Road residence and they were fine.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man reported selling his Carmelo residence earlier this year. This morning as he was walking past it, he heard the pool pump running and became concerned it would overheat. Checked the residence, the area around the pool and the pump, and nothing appeared wrong. The owner of the residence was not at home.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Lugo Shell employee reported a gas skip in the amount of \$14.18. He did not see the violation even though he was inside the market area and explained that a large van was parked blocking his view of the pump. He could not provide any suspect or vehicle information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Man stated he had consigned some art to a local gallery and the owner had been evasive in paying him after the items were sold. The gallery is still in business and the same owner still retains

title to the business. Counseled and advised to seek civil action.

Pebble Beach: Bird Rock resident reported she heard voices to the rear of her house. An area check was made, nothing found or anything unusual noted.

Pebble Beach: Whalers Cove resident reported her house alarm went off. She found a door to her *atelier* was ajar. An area check was made, nothing was found or unusual noted.

Carmel Valley: Carmel Valley Road resident reported someone vandalized her 1971 Ford while it was parked at the residence. No suspects.

Carmel Valley: Center Street resident reported someone stole her checks from the mailbox. Suspects later used the checking account number and paid off personal credit cards. Monterey PD arrested suspects on related charges.

Carmel area: Carmel Middle School student cut his own wrist at school. Later stated that he was "showing off." He was turned over to his parents and Community Hospital.

Big Sur: Transient called from Gorda to ask for help. He stated he has not taken his medication for two weeks, and now voices in his head are telling him to kill himself. He was willing to talk with medical personnel. He was transported to CHOMP.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman came into the station requesting assistance. She has an ongoing problem with her brother, who is compulsive and at times violent. Nothing has happened within city limits. She was

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SUMMONS
CASE NUMBER: M 48879
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:
KAREN WASHINGTON; SEAN TAYLOR SEABY; PETER BECKERMAN; CHARLES BECKERMAN; SALINAS VALLEY FORD SALES; AND DOES 1 to 50, inclusive; YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: LESLIE MARIE SIMS, a minor, by and through CAROLYN SIMS, her Guardian and Litem; and CAROLYN SIMS, individually.
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If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
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The name and address of the court is: **MONTEREY COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 1200 Aguajito Road Monterey, California 93940 Civil Division**
The name, address and telephone number of the plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: **Richard Gregg, Esq. (SBN: 78787) 111 W. St. John St., Suite 1100 P.O. Box 15001 San Jose, CA 95115-0001 408-298-5678**
Notice to the person served: You are served as an individual defendant.
Date: Nov. 7, 2000
(s) Sherri L. Pedersen, Clerk
by Rosa Dalia, Deputy
Publication Dates: Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2000 (PC1205)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 178097. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **ADV INSURANCE AGENCY**, 2890 Monterey Road, San Jose, CA 95111. **SAN JOSE ADVANTAGE HOMES, INC.** 4000 Moorpark Ave., Ste. 100 San Jose, CA 95117. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/1/00. (s) Glenn Gillian. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 22, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 8, 15, 22, 2000. (PC1207)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY
In the Matter of the Application of BEN-

JAMIN HERBERT SHERMAN, petitioner, for Change of Name Case No. M51551.
WHEREAS, Benjamin Herbert Sherman, petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing petitioner's name from BENJAMIN HERBERT SHERMAN to BENJAMIN HERBERT HABERTHUR.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department TBA of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940, on Jan. 5, 2001, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in The Carmel Pine Cone, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.
Date: Dec. 1, 2000.
Publication dates: Dec. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2000. (PC1208)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002406. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **AIRGAS-NCN**, 3650 Industrial Blvd., Ste. 100, West Sacramento, CA 95691. **Airgas-Northern California & Nevada, Inc.** Delaware, 3650 Industrial Blvd., Ste. 100, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed herein. (s) Todd R. Craun, Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 30, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2000. (PC1210)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002426. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **THE GROCERY DELIVERY COMPANY**, 773 Mermaid Ave. Pacific Grove, CA 93950. **Christopher Cassidy**, 773 Mermaid Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 93950. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1/1/2001. (s) Christopher Cassidy. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 4, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2000. (PC1211)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002422. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **CARMEL BUILDING & DESIGN**, P.O. Box 2201, Carmel, 93921, 200 Clocktower Pl. Carmel, CA 93923. **CARMEL PROPERTY SERVICES, LLC**, CA 20 Scarlett Rd., Carmel Valley, CA, 93924. This business is conducted by a limited liability company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1/1/01. (s) Chris Sawyer. (s) Carmel Property Services Chris Sawyer, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 1, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2000. (PC1209)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002376. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **ROCK ROSE CONCEPTS**, 225 Crossroads Blvd., PMB 353, Carmel, CA 93923. **DIANE RESETER FARMER**, NW Corner 11th & Camino Real, Carmel, CA 93920. This business is conducted by an

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002461. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **QMG AMERICA**, 1285 N. Main Street, #204, Salinas, CA 93906. **QUALITY HOME LOANS**, California, 500 E. Esplanade Dr., #102, Oxnard, CA 93030. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 1, 2000. (s) Christopher Powell, Secretary, Quality Home Loans. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 8, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 15, 22, 29, Jan. 5, 2000. (PC1216)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002460. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **SALINAS REHABILITATION AND CARE CENTER**, 637 E. Romie Lane, Salinas, CA 93901. **SALINAS CARE CENTER, INC.**, California, 637 E. Romie Lane, Salinas, CA 93901. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 8, 2000. (s) Jan A. Beresford, President, Salinas Care Center, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 19, 1996. Publication dates: Dec. 15, 22, 29, Jan. 5, 2000. (PC1217)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002454. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **DESTINY PUBLISHING**, 4036 Sunset Lane, Pebble Beach, CA 93953. **CATHERINE COBURN**, 4036 Sunset Lane, Pebble Beach, CA 93953. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 7, 2000. (s) Catherine Coburn. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 7, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 22, 29, Jan. 5, 12, 2000. (PC1219)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002508. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **POWER PARTNERS; INTERWEB PRODUCTIONS**, 225 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey, CA 93950. **DEUBER & VILLACRES, INC.** (California Corporation), 225 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey, CA 93950. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 5, 2000. (s) Jane Deuber, CEO, Deuber & Villacres, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 15, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 22, 29, Jan. 5, 12, 2000. (PC1220)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002366. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **RANCHO MULTI-MEDIA**, 268 W. Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel Valley, CA

93924. **WILLIAM L. RY**, 268 W. Carmel Valley Rd., Carmel Valley, CA 93924. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan. 2, 2001. (s) William L. Ry. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 22, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 22, 29, Jan. 5, 12, 2000. (PC1221)

CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons bearing any interest in the matter, that the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, will conduct a Public Hearing.
SUBJECT: Receive Planning Commission recommendation on the Draft Historic Preservation Element of the General Plan and provide policy direction.
PURPOSE: To affirm or revise draft policies on historic preservation prior to preparation of an EIR.
ZONING DISTRICT: City-wide
COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA: EIR Required
DATE: Tuesday
DATE: January 9, 2001
TIME: 3:30 P.M. or shortly thereafter.

PLACE: The City Council Meeting will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues.

Any court action made pursuant to decisions made by the City on this (these) proposed action(s) may be limited to issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the (Planning Commission, City Council, Forest and Beach Commission, etc.) at, or prior to, the public hearing.
ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said Hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA

(s) Karen Crouch, City Clerk
DATED: Dec. 19, 2000

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Publication dates: Dec. 22, 2000. (PC1222)

CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons bearing any interest in the matter, that the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, will conduct a Public Hearing.
SUBJECT: Consideration of Resolution No. 2001-13 adopting the Forest Management Plan.
PURPOSE: To Establish a Management Plan for Trees and Open Space.
ZONING DISTRICT: City-wide
COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA: Exempt (Class 7 and 8)
DATE: Tuesday
DATE: January 9, 2001
TIME: 3:30 P.M. or shortly thereafter.

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Publication dates: Dec. 22, 2000. (PC1223)

CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons bearing any interest in the matter, that the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, will conduct a Public Hearing.

SUBJECT: Review the Draft R-1 Design Guidelines and provide policy direction.

PURPOSE: To review the Draft R-1 Design Guidelines and provide policy direction.

ZONING DISTRICT: R-1
COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA: Proposed Negative Declaration Pending.

DATE: Tuesday
DATE: January 9, 2001
TIME: 3:30 P.M. or shortly thereafter.

PLACE: The City Council Meeting will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues.

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DATED: Dec. 19, 2000

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Publication dates: Dec. 22, 2000. (PC1224)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20002503. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as **GILROY FOODS**, 201 Bitterwater Road, King City, CA 93930. **CONAGRA FOODS, INC.**, Delaware, One ConAgra Drive, CC-237, Omaha, NE 68102. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above upon filing. (s) Debra L. Keith, Vice President-Tax, ConAgra Foods, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 15, 2000. Publication dates: Dec. 22, 29, Jan. 5, 12, 2000. (PC1225)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE.
To Whom It May Concern: **CARMEL CHILI COMPANY, INC.**, is applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at Dolores btwn Fifth & Sixth, Carmel, CA 93921 for the following type of license: 47 - ON-SALE GENERAL EATING PLACE. Date of Filing Application: Dec. 19, 2000.
Publication dates: Dec. 22, 2000. (PC1226)

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night. Total amount of theft is \$1,459.

Carmel Valley: Carmel Valley Road resident reported that a gas delivery man tried to insist on going into her house. He went to her home three times trying to get her to let him in.

Carmel Valley: Esquiline Road resident reported that his neighbor parked her vehicle blocking the access to his yard. She agreed to move the vehicle but feels the access road should only be used for emergencies.

Carmel area: Luzzo Drive resident reported his 16-year-old son did not return home after a weekend in the San Jose area after being told to return home Sunday night. Foul play is not suspected.

Carmel area: Person reported losing a black leather carry-all at the Crossroads Center yesterday between 1400 and 1500 hours.

Big Sur: Longridge resident reported a man was harassing his family in violation of a court order.

Big Sur: Secretary of the Carmel Mission Basilica reported an unwanted subject was living in their branch church in Big Sur. A woman obtained the key by false pretenses and stayed overnight. She was ordered out of the church building.

Pebble Beach: Student reported his laptop computer was taken from his locker while he was out on his Thanksgiving break. Also taken was a pair of Nike basketball shoes. Value of both \$2,045. No suspect information given.

Carmel Valley: Center Street resident reported the theft of her mail.

Carmel area: Man reported having a heated argument over the telephone with his now separated wife. Both parties agreed it was useless continuing the conversation.

Carmel Valley: Los Arboles resident called to get advice on how to handle a rooster that wakes him up every morning.

Carmel Valley: Carmel Valley Road resident reported being shot with a laser by his neighbor, who shoots him from a tower in the trees. He seems to have mental problems.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Delivery truck driver stopped at Ocean and Carpenter and warned for violation of the truck route.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a gas leaf blower at a Dolores residence. Contact was made with a man and he acknowledged the fact that he was using a gas leaf blower prior to the officer's arrival. No prior contact regarding this situation. Warning given.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Anonymous report of clothing found. Area checked, one pair of female's shoes located. No evidence of ownership. Shoes taken to the station and discarded (no value).

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Anonymous report of loud subjects in the street at Monte Verde and Santa Lucia. On arrival, contacted a boyfriend and girlfriend who were having a minor disagreement. Verbal only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Disturbance over a vehicle tow called in on 911. Problem resolved upon officers' arrival.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Anonymous report of a black Oldsmobile sedan rolling stop signs on Ocean Avenue and then traveling to a hotel. Contacted the driver, who was not DUI. He was a worker at the hotel and was not driving carefully. He was admonished concerning his driving. No problems.

Carmel area: Carmel Center Place resident complained of the noise made by gardeners' leaf blowers at the neighboring townhouse complex. She has spoken with the gardeners and their employer.

Carmel area: Conducted a welfare check of a Dolores resident. She was fine.

Carmel area: Carmel High School vice principal reported an ex-student refusing to leave. The student was cited for trespass to appear in Salinas muni court.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Person reported a vehicle illegally parked in the driveway belonging to Pacific Bell. Contact made with employees at Pacific Bell who said the owner has permission to park in their driveway. Caller advised that her complaint had no merit since this is property belonging to Pac Bell.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Domestic disturbance at a Torres residence. Woman suspected the resident of infidelity and went to the residence to confront him. Upon contacting him and informing him of her suspicions, which he denied, she attempted to enter

because she thought the person he's seeing was inside. He stood at the door and blocked her from entering with his arm. After several attempts failed, she slapped his hand away and left. She was not injured and said he did not physically harm her. He too was not injured. He said the incident is a misunderstanding for he is not being unfaithful to his wife. They were both counseled regarding domestic dispute laws, and advised to seek legal counsel regarding their separation and pending divorce.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a suspicious individual attempting a large purchase at a Carmel Plaza jewelry store. Follow-up pending.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman called to report that her daughter attended a soccer game at Santa Catalina School this afternoon, and was not there when the woman's husband went to pick the child up. She was located about an hour later at the CHS extension campus just off Carmel Valley Road, where she was practicing soccer.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Talked to a woman who wished to report a stolen and forged personal check. It was established that the check had been stolen in San Francisco, cashed in San Francisco and both the woman and her bank are in the county area. Advised to call SFPD.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assisted a resident in gaining entry to her home.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Driver arrested at Highway 1 and Rio Road for DUI.

Pebble Beach: Man reported he was cut off from alcoholic beverages by a bartender because he is Hispanic. It appeared he had been drinking too much. Bartender said he had been drinking since 1700 hours. Report made at 0024 hours. The man was taken to his room. Case suspended.

VIEW

From page 5B

"Was this how the prisoners in Alcatraz felt?" I wondered. The neighbor's agent didn't hesitate: "One million three hundred thousand," he stated firmly. To my surprise the competition did not flinch: "One million three-ten," she said. And just like that, it was over. The neighbor's agent said he was out. She had found his top, but he hadn't found hers.

The trustee stated that all the legal matters could probably be settled by mid-January when the buyer could expect to close the escrow. We shook hands, exchanged pleasantries with some of the folks, congratulated the successful bidder and headed out to the beauty of the bay.

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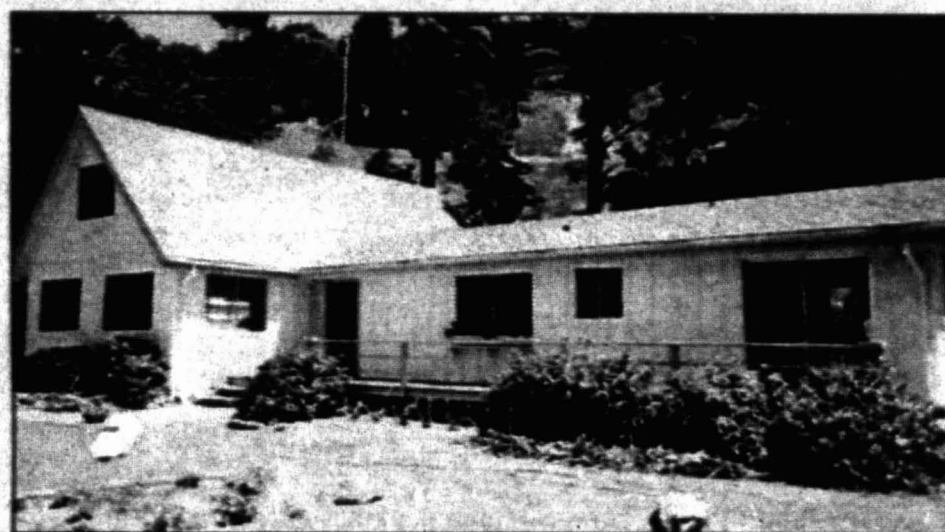
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Carmel area: Ocean-view Avenue resident reported that he received a phone call from someone he thought was an acquaintance of a friend and wired him \$200. It turned out not to be the acquaintance of his friend.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a business' dispute with a credit card company over an unauthorized purchase of merchandise by credit card holder disputing the purchase. Caller advised this matter is civil at this time and will need to complete a rebuttal with the credit card company.

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Wm. David Martin, AIA, Pacific Grove, executed this Schneider House remodel and rehabilitation and won an Honor Award for his work. Starting with a 1941 international style home with Scandinavian influences, designed by Seattle architect John T. Jacobsen, Martin decided to make optimal use of existing interior space. A wall was removed between dining room and kitchen, and two small bedrooms and bath were reconfigured to provide a master bedroom/bath/closet suite and a small powder room for guests. A family room and two bedrooms and bath were created in the basement. On the exterior, in addition to extensive repairs and maintenance, a redesigned front entry, walks, terrace and entry walls with steps to the street provided an updated site context for the rehabilitated structure. A new roof deck, guardrail and trellis complete the major exterior improvements.

Mitchell Group will open new office in Pacific Grove

THE MITCHELL GROUP Real Estate announced this week that it will open an office in Pacific Grove across the street from Trader Joe's.

"We feel that Pacific Grove and the Country Club areas are important markets and we should be represented with an office there," said Kent Nelson, The Mitchell Group's Managing Broker.

The real estate firm's other offices are located in downtown Carmel, Carmel

Rancho and Carmel Valley.

"We have looked for a long time for the right location in Pacific Grove," Nelson said. "We have long represented buyers in Pacific Grove and quite a few of our agents live there. It is a natural step and we are quite excited about it."

The new Mitchell Group office, which will open early next year, will be located at 1157 Forest Avenue.

AIA

From page 7B

profession. Michael Elizondo, AIA, project

manager for the Monterey Bay Aquarium, is the incoming president of the local chapter. For information, call 372-6527.



Tehama Golf Clubhouse, Monterey, was designed by Michael Waxer, AIA, of Carmel Development Company and CDC's president, Alan Williams — a design and build firm — for client Clint Eastwood. The project was designed to minimize disruption of the land and to maximize environmental values. Incorporated into the clubhouse are photovoltaic panels on the flat portion of the roof which produce 32.5 kw. According to PG&E, Tehama's is the first application greater than 10 kw of this technology within Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties. Much aesthetic use is made of Carmel stone in the structure, all quarried from the project site. Native grasses are incorporated throughout the golf course and reclaimed wastewater from nearby projects provide more than two-thirds of the irrigation requirements. The private clubhouse is two stories, with parking, locker rooms and a pro shop on the lower level. The main level uses are accessible from a large central courtyard with recirculating fountain.

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POLICE LOG

From page 9B

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a barking dog. Located a dog on Santa Rita which would bark only after a vehicle drive by. Will attempt to contact the owner tomorrow.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: While on previous detail, heard a group of males yelling at one another. Area checked, unable to locate. The yelling was possibly coming from a bar. No problems noted in the bar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman at a hotel reported someone was knocking on her door. Upon arrival no one was in the area. A few minutes later she called again believing someone was outside her room. It was found to be the "Please do not disturb" sign hanging on the door blowing in the wind. No problems noted.

Carmel area: Person reported he accidentally had taken keys from the Carmel High School gym after attending a basketball game. He will be returning the keys to the rightful owner. Information only.

Carmel area: Two male juveniles got into a physical fight after they threw rocks at each other.

Carmel area: Rio Road hotel guest reported an argument with her husband. No physical violence. Parties remained together and no further action desired/required.

Carmel area: Sometime in the past three months, unknown person(s) stole a diamond ring out of a residence on Hacienda Road.

Carmel Valley: Woman reported that an unknown suspect cracked the front window of the Salt & Pepper Cafe.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Located a subject at Dolores and Fifth who was intoxicated but able to care for himself. Provided a courtesy transport to his residence at Junipero and Ladera.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Woman came to the station to report that she and another person are both 50-percent owners of their mother's house on Lobos and the two "DO NOT GET ALONG AT ALL." Dispute arose over tenancy of the house. Restraining order attempted, but never properly served.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Assisted units searching the business area for a walk-away from a senior residential facility. Person located at the Sunset Center. She was returned to the inn and appeared to be fine.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Responded to a 911 hang-up at the Scout House. A group of girls, a Brownie Troop, were contacted along with three adult leaders. The girls were counseled by their leaders.

Carmel area: Rio Road resident requested a civil standby while her ex-husband returned their 7-year-old daughter.

Big Sur: Rescue team responded to a report of a man and

woman who were stranded on the Oak Grove Trail without a light after dark. The rescue team found the victims at the Mount Manuel Trail and led them to Pfeiffer State Park.

Carmel Valley: Schulte Road resident reported receiving a letter that he felt was threatening. The letter was from a person to whom he owed money.

Carmel area: Man caught shoplifting several candy bars from the Longs at the Crossroads.

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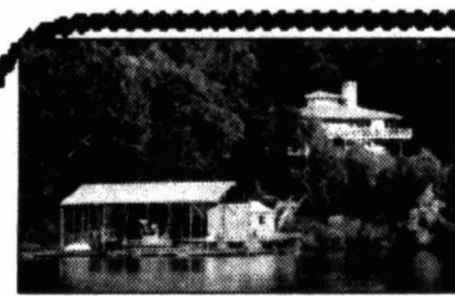
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"ABOVE IT ALL!" Nestled among majestic pines overlooking Carmel Bay, with panoramic views from Pebble Beach to Point Lobos. The property features a spacious single-story 2-bedroom, 2-bath main house with a self-contained guest unit above the large (attached) 2-car garage. The great floor plan includes large rooms, high ceilings, and ocean & mountain views. Add a sheltered patio and lots of usable land. \$1,950,000.



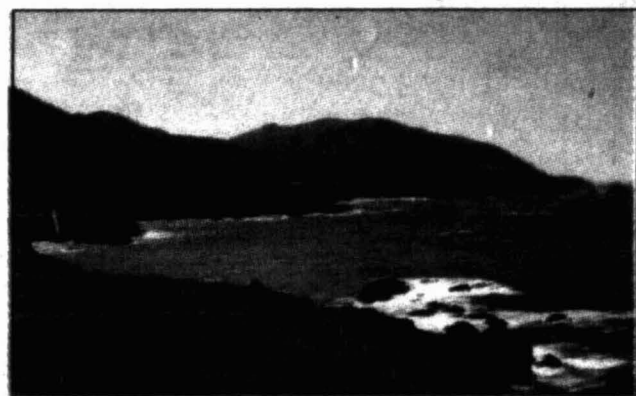
"CASA PARAISO!" An absolutely delightful Mediterranean-style home in a paradise-like garden setting! On a spacious 10,200 sq. ft. corner lot in the midst of flowers, lawns and oaks sits "Casa Paraiso." Just blocks to the beach & town, this beautifully remodeled and restored villa features 4 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, new kitchen, separate artist studio, Carmel-stone walks, private patios, and Spanish tiled roof. \$3,495,000.

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CARMEL VALLEY

HACIENDA CHARM! Lovely 2-bedroom, 2-bath unit with many skylights to bring in the natural light. Located in an interior position in the complex, with a South-facing patio for relaxing in the Valley sun. Buyer must be 55 years or older. Complete with clubhouse and pool. \$285,000.

VALLEY ESTATE! This ranch-style 4-bedroom, 3-bath main home with 1-bedroom guest house and several additional outbuildings, is being offered on nine+ acres. Perfect for the horse lover or wine grower with water available. There is plenty of room and potential here! \$1,650,000.

CARMEL HIGHLANDS

OCEAN VIEW HIGHLANDS HAVEN Watch the sun track across the sky, storms roar in from the ocean or the silent wisps of fog coming in from the sea! All this and more awaits from this ocean-view 3-bedroom plus guest house and 4-bath home! Above the Pacific on an approximate acre, this classic-styled home with steep pitched roof and open-beam construction takes advantage of magnificent views and natural surroundings. \$1,695,000.

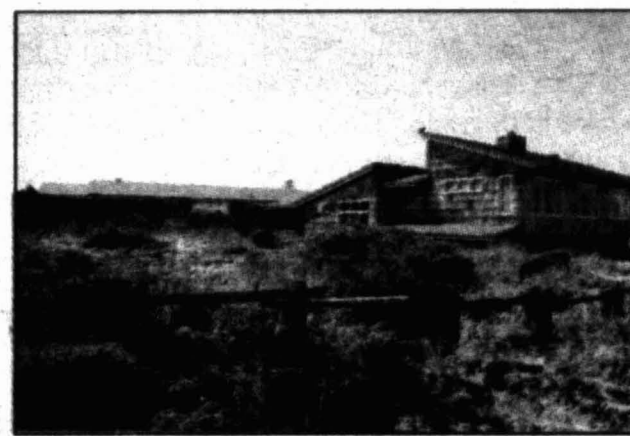


SUNSHINE BRIGHT! This single-level, 3-bedroom, 2-bath, ranch-style home exemplifies the best of gracious country living! The living/dining room boasts a majestic fireplace, open-beam ceilings and new carpeting. There is a dramatic bath with jetted tub in the master suite. You will love the cool mornings on the wood deck or warm, sunny afternoons in the fenced yard. \$599,000.

PACIFIC GROVE

BRIGHT AND PRIVATE! A stone's throw from Pebble Beach, Spanish Bay and Asilomar Beach is this light and airy bungalow. Generous living room has large windows & fireplace. Tiled kitchen has been updated with breakfast bar. Ceilings are raised and open beamed - adding

character to the 2-bedroom, 1-bath home. Fenced front yard & lush, green backyard. A turnkey property suitable for retirement, vacation, or beginner family. \$430,000.



WHITE WATER VIEWS, TOO! A unique 4-bedroom, 3-bath home on a unique oceanfront site in Pacific Grove. Monterey Bay views all the way to Santa Cruz, plus fairway scenes. Generous use of skylights create a light & bright feeling. On a half-acre lot with crashing waves and beach just steps away. \$3,995,000.



ONE OF A KIND! This contemporary interpretation of a Craftsman home will overwhelm you with its artistic and extensive use of mahogany and other natural materials. Great bay views can be seen from this nine-year-old, 4-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home of 2800 sq. ft., including the attached studio apartment. Three car garage. Easy walk to town or beach. \$1,395,000.

PEBBLE BEACH

OCEAN VIEWS! An immaculate, impressive 4-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home, with a two-story marble entry with dramatic spiral staircase, has been completely remodeled with plans drawn by John Matthams. Corian counters, crown moulding, marble fireplaces, hardwood floors, and skylights are a few of the amenities. Family room and large office. A Pebble Beach treasure. \$2,300,000.

FRONT LINE AT SPANISH BAY! Private, elegant and beautifully maintained townhome on a choice lot in a coveted west-facing location with spectacular unobstructed golf course & ocean views. Featuring 3 bedrooms, 3-1/2-baths, tall windows with plantation shutters and a flower-filled entry courtyard. Oversized garage with attached storage room. \$4,000,000.



ELEGANT ESTATE! This elegant French country estate was designed and built by Tescher/LeVett on 1.69 acres in the heart of the estate area. Using the finest in materials and workmanship to build the dramatic two-story foyer, soaring ceilings, country kitchen opening to a large family room, 5-bedrooms & 4-1/2-baths. Including separate guest quarters. \$4,900,000.

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